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CHRISTMAS IN THE COLONY

CELEBRATIONS

HOW IT WAS OBSERVED IN HONG KONG

FESTIVE GATHERINGS

Christmas celebrations started on Monday evening, when several Christmas Eve functions were held in various hotels and clubs.

All trams, buses, public cars and taxis were kept very busy carrying people to town; whilst the ferries carried hundreds across the harbour to Hong Kong.

The principal attraction was the Christmas Eve Carnival at the Repulse Bay Hotel, which was largely attended, and the round-the-island motor road was alive with motor traffic from about 7 p.m. until well after 1 a.m.

There were also many private parties, in local residences, and a walk in the City side of the island revealed all the leading hotels and clubs gaily decorated both inside and outside; whilst the entrances to residences on the higher levels were prettily decorated and illuminated, and the animated strains of music on every hand showed that the festive spirit was being given full swing.

At Repulse Bay

Demands for reservations for the Repulse Bay Hotel dance had been brisk for at least a fortnight before the Carnival and when the function opened on the night of the 24th, fully 400 merry-makers were present, and the dance floor, spacious as it is, was filled to capacity.

The big ball-room was very tastefully decorated with coloured lights, floral ropes and streamers. The bandstand which was occupied by the Hotel Orchestra appeared to be encased in a snow drift, plaster being used to give this happy effect. The "frozen" bandstand gave an appropriate Christmas touch to the pretty scene, and helped one to think he, or she was taking part in a homeside celebration. The spirit of revelry was maintained throughout the evening with the use of many novelties in the shape of squeakers, etc., and dancing continued till midnight.

At Local Hotels

Others made merry on the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Gardens, where some 200 revellers spent a very enjoyable evening and ushered in Christmas in a right merry spirit. Here, too, the decorations were beautiful.

The King Edward Hotel held a grand Christmas Eve dinner dance which was well attended. Celebrations were of a very merry description. The cuisine was excellent, the music good, and dancing was gaily maintained until midnight, when all were sorry that the evening had been so short. They would have stayed until the "wee sma' hours" if they could.

Yesterday public celebrations of Christmas started in the afternoon when tea dances were held at the Hotel Savoy, Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel, and King Edward Hotel. All the functions attracted large gatherings, and no matter which place one visited, a gay time was offered, and fully taken advantage of by the pleasure seekers.

In the evening the Lane, Crawford Restaurant and St. Francis Hotel gave dinner dances, which started at 8 p.m., and lasted until midnight. They both attracted many people who fully enjoyed the reasonable menus and the dancing to fine, lively music.

At Home

The majority of local residents, however, celebrated Christmas at home. There were numerous parties. Decorations were pretty and in many cases original. The Christmas dinner with the honoured turkey produced much merriment when the time came to cut the Christmas pudding. The favours concealed in the pudding caused much laughter when such absurd situations arose as a married woman finding a thimble in her slice, or a benedict "dipping up" a bachelor's button from his portion.

Numerous Yuletide games were indulged in, whilst others danced. The merry hours went by very quickly, and it was almost morning when some of the parties broke up.

"The Big Night"

To-night is the big night at the Hong Kong Hotel. A Carnival dance will be held on the Roof Garden, which will be subjected to a special scheme of decoration calculated to enhance the pleasure of the dancers. Accommodation, however, has been practically booked to capacity. No one need be disappointed; however, as both the Lane, Crawford Restaurant and St. Francis Hotel are again holding another of their popular dinner dances. There will be special attractions and decorations, and a pleasant evening is assured the pleasure seekers which ever function they attend.

SAD DISASTER AT CHRISTMAS

HOTEL BLAZE

FIVE WOMEN AND A CHILD INCINERATED

HANGAR COLLAPSES

SAUMUR, YESTERDAY.

Seven workmen were killed and three seriously injured by the collapse of a huge reinforced concrete hangar covering 4,300 yards in a square.

Hotel Fatalities

Stockholm, Yesterday.

Five women, and a child were incinerated in a fire which destroyed an Hotel at Tidaholm.—Reuter.

CANTON AVIATION

\$100,000 NEW AERODROME TO BE BUILT

"PEARL RIVER" FLIGHT

Marshal Li Chai-sum has decided to build a new \$100,000 aerodrome in Canton, states the "Canton Gazette."

The seaplane "Pearl River" (flown by General Chan Hing-wan) left Changsha (capital of Hunan province) yesterday, states the "Nam Keung Po," southward for Kweilin, in Kwangsi province, presumably following the Siang River upwards.

The "Canton Gazette" has reproduced the facsimile of a letter sent by air mail, carried by the "Spirit of Canton" from Shanghai to Canton, addressed to Marshal Li Chai-sum by Mr. Sun Fo, Mr. Wu Techen and Mr. Tang Shao-yi (an ex-Premier).

JAPANESE DIET

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

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Religious Services

The Christmas Service at St. John's Cathedral was attended by a large congregation. Special music was rendered in conjunction with the choir.

The collections at the service were in aid of the schools and orphanages.

Services were also held at the Union Churches, the Chinese Churches and the Seamen's Institute. All were well attended.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, a Christmas Anthem was rendered by the choir.

Midnight Masses were said at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, St. Joseph's Church, St. Margaret Mary's Church, Happy Valley, and the Rosary Church, Kowloon and St. Francis Chapel in Wanchai.

The service at the Cathedral was a Pontifical Mass said by His Lordship, the Rt. Rev. Bishop H. Valtorta, D.D., assisted by the Clergy and Seminarians. The Bishop also preached a short sermon.

A feature of this service was the fine singing of "Adeste Fideles" by the choir. The service lasted until 1 a.m., after which there were many communicants.

College Concert

The staff and students of the Munsang College, held a very enjoyable Christmas Concert at the new Kowloon Theatre on Monday afternoon. It attracted a full house. The programme, which comprised instrumental items, songs and short "acts," was well balanced, there being offerings to please all tastes. The comic turns were particularly appreciated by the large number of kiddies included in the audience.

BIG "RED" SCARE AT SHANGHAI

SOVIET PAPERS

CHINESE SHIP ARRIVES FROM VLADIVOSTOK

TWO COFFINS SUSPECTED!

On the arrival of the Chinese s.s. "Hsin Ping" at Shanghai from Vladivostok yesterday, an elaborate search was carried out by the Chinese authorities who, says the "Nam Keung Po," found Communist and Soviet papers and even suspected the contents of two coffins.

The "Hsin Ping" arrived from Vladivostok, the port of Siberia, with over 400 Chinese home-bound passengers (mostly students and labourers) and three Russian women.

Action was taken, states the report, because of a communication by the Chinese Consul at Vladivostok.

Thorough Search

On the "Hsin Ping" going alongside a wharf in Chinese territory, she was surrounded by police and troops who conducted a thorough search.

The master of the vessel is stated to be a Russian. In his cabin, the "Nam Keung Po" adds, were found documents relating to Communist plans and an appointment of him by the Soviet Mercantile Fleet as the commander of the far eastern section of the fleet.

More than 50 of the Chinese passengers are under suspicion and even two coffins have been marked out by the authorities as requiring special attention.

THE EMPIRE

THE CANADIAN PREMIER'S MESSAGE TO THE KING

SPLENDID LOYALTY

Ottawa, Dec. 24.

Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, has sent the following message to His Majesty the King:

As an enduring expression of the feeling of devotion to His Majesty the King and of the nearness of the relationship between Canada to all the other parts of the Dominions, the Canadian Government has decided that on Christmas Day they will restore penny postage on communications from Canada to all the other parts of the British Empire.

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While the reduction in the postage will be of more immediate and direct benefit to the citizens of Canada, it is hoped and believed that it will serve to render more enduring the ties uniting the British Commonwealth of Nations in their common allegiance to the Crown.—Reuter.

THE PRIMATE

INFLAMMATION CONTINUES TO DIMINISH

London, Dec. 24.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has had some sleep. The pain has decreased and the inflammation which is in the region of the liver appears to be subsiding.

Later.

The Archbishop had a good night. The inflammation continues to diminish and there is now little pain.—Reuter.

HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police:

Indian Company

Leave.—Constable R218 Ghulam Mohamed has been granted 8 months' leave of absence from the Colony commencing December 22. (Sd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R) Hong Kong, Dec. 25, 1928.

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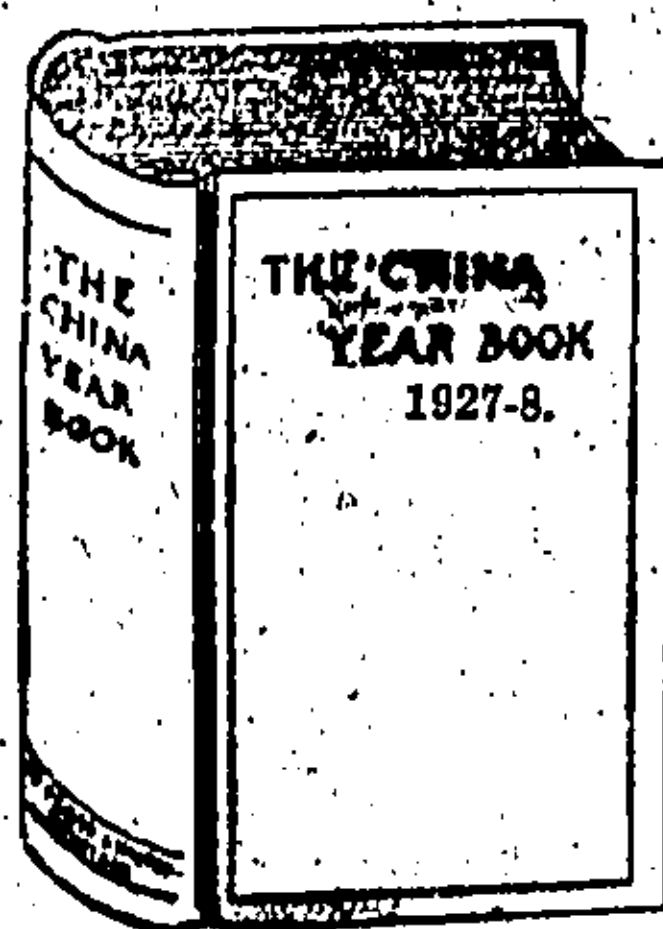
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FAMOUS-PLACARDS

A special correspondent writes to the "Observer":—"It is just a hundred years since the first advertising poster appeared, and on November 27 the Duke of York is to attend a luncheon in the Stationers' Hall, London, given by the British Poster Advertising Association in celebration of the anniversary.

If placard and poster are synonymous terms, we must look far beyond the last hundred years for the first advertisement in this form. Greece, and during the Greek and Roman periods, Egypt also, knew placards affixed to posts and walls. Usually they demanded the capture of thieves or of runaway slaves; sometimes they contained offers of goods or services. A soothsayer's advertisement, dating from the age of the Ptolemies is still preserved. Occasionally these libellous, as the Roman called them, had reference to articles lost and found.

The real development of outdoor advertising had to await the invention of printing, and one of the earliest jobs from William Caxton's press was a bill, posted on the walls of the Chantry at Westminster, to advertise his service-books.

Early Bills

Before the Great Fire numerous rails and posts stood in the streets of London for the protection of pedestrians. These were used by tradesmen, and in particular by enterprising theatrical managers, as convenient places for the display of their bills. John Northbrooke, in his pamphlet against theatrical performances (1579), says: "They used to set up their bills upon posts some certain days before, to admonish people to make resort to their theatres."

These early posters were rough woodcuts, and quite a few are still preserved. Nearly all of them are announcements of plays and amusements, and the early nineteenth century, when the circus flourished, may be called the nursery of the poster industry. Some of its pioneers, whose names are still eminent in the trade, actually began life in the direct employment of the great travelling circuses in the character of what afterwards came to be called advance agents.

In the mid-Victorian era the notices "Stick no Bills" and "Billstickers will be prosecuted" were a not infrequent sight in the towns, for the present practice by which posters are posted only on recognised "stations," was not evolved without a struggle. By the 'sixties, however, the recognised poster contractors began to buy exclusive rights to space on walls and hoardings, and so were able to protect themselves against pirate competitors. In 1860, too, the first trade associations of the industry were formed. The British Poster Advertising Association, as all know it to-day, is the descendant of these earlier societies. The first Bill-posters' Society was reorganised in 1864, when a new code of rules was adopted.

The Big Names

Meanwhile, noteworthy improvements had been made in posters themselves. The earliest poster-artist of distinction was a Frenchman, Lalanc, whose debut was made in 1836 with a poster for a book. After Lalanc came Celestin Nanteuil and Raffet. But the greatest of all these early French poster artists was Jules Cheret. Originally employed in a lithographic establishment in England, Cheret returned to France and soon made a reputation as the foremost poster-artist of the world. He was the first to use three colours, black and red woodcuts having previously been the only medium employed. The development of lithography in the 'eighties brought great improvements, but even in 1871 art was not a perfect stranger to the hoardings, for that year saw the

first appearance of Fred Walker's design for Wilkie Collins's "Woman in White." In this famous design the woman, shawl-clad, her finger on her lips, is shown passing into an abnormally black and starry night.

Fred Walker, the first British poster-artist of distinction, was soon followed by Walter Crane, Dudley Hardy, Professor Herkomer, R.A., Aubrey Beardsley, Julius Price, the Beggartasse Brothers, and many others, and a list of famous names which could be continued to the day of Hassall, Fred Taylor, and Septimus Scott. In France, Steinlen, Toulouse Lautrec, and the rest of the gay company which succeeded Cheret, carried on the tradition.

In 1888 the purchase of Millais's "Bubbles" caused considerable discussion, and the attention devoted in the Press to Pears Soap perhaps helped to repay Mr. Barratt the 2,000 guineas he gave for the copyright. Furthermore, it gave prestige to poster artists, who now include in their ranks R.A.'s and other distinguished painters. "He Won't Be Happy Till He Gets It" appeared in 1889, and achieved great popularity.

Censorship

One of the momentous events in the history of the United Bill-posters' Association, was the formation of their Censorship Committee for the regulation of the posters displayed on the hoardings. By its work many of the prejudices which at one time threatened the interests of the trade and its patrons, have been removed.

An agitation for the official control of poster designs followed, and but for prompt action by the two great trade bodies, the United Bill-posters' Association and the London Bill-posters' Protection Association, the law would probably have intervened, to the detriment of the public as well as of the trade. Six members of the Associations were appointed to act as a Committee of Censors and their decision in regard to any poster was made binding upon the members. This Committee exercised, and its successors still exercise, a very stringent censorship, which has been an unmixed blessing from every point of view.

But of all public work in which the poster has been used, nothing can compare in importance with the part it played during the war. From humble beginnings, with one small poster which contained Lord Kitchener's appeal for 100,000 men, over 500 different bills of many sizes were issued, including the famous "What did you do in the Great War, Daddy?"

The Fellowship of the British Empire Exhibition, through the Imperial Scout headquarters, offer 20 Whitehead scholarships to Scottish Boy Scouts, under which the selected scouts will be given a free passage to Australia and a year's tuition and residence at an agricultural college in New South Wales.



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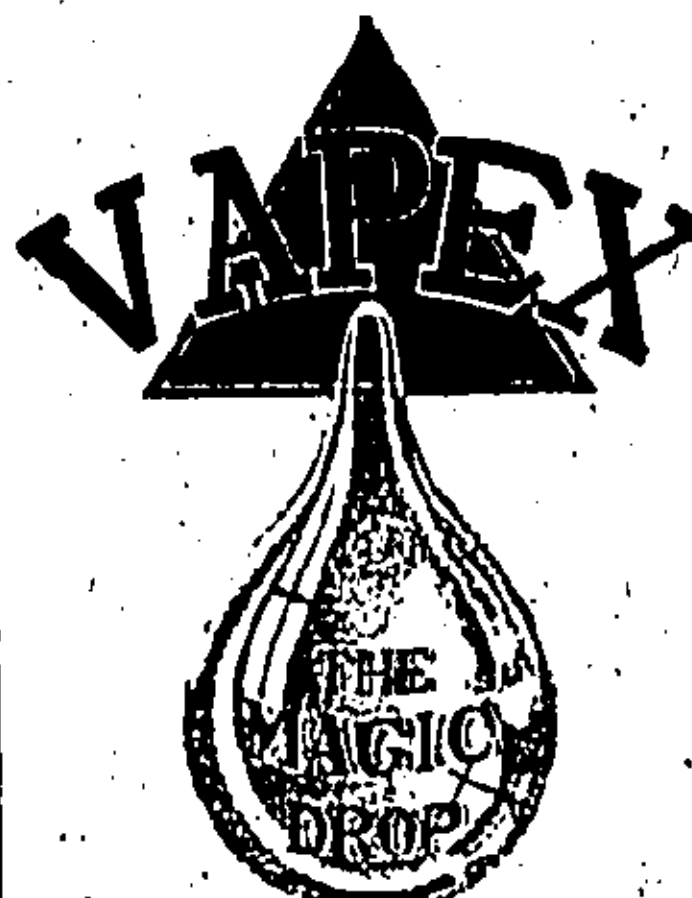
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Since the visit to Liverpool early in October of the High Commissioner of New Zealand the Hon. Sir James Parr, K.C.M.G., renewed efforts have been made to develop the direct trade between New Zealand and Liverpool. It will be remembered that during Sir James' visit he was the guest of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board, who took the opportunity of showing him the new Gladstone Docks and the facilities of the port for the handling of New Zealand produce. The High Commissioner was greatly impressed by all that he saw, and told the shipping officials at a Town Hall luncheon that he was in great sympathy with any policy that would engender increased trade relations between Liverpool and New Zealand.

On his return to London, Sir James immediately made arrangements for an exhibition of New Zealand produce in Liverpool, and this was opened by the Lord Mayor, when Mr. L. A. P. Warner, C.B.E. (general manager and secretary of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board) urged shippers of New Zealand produce to see that their consignments came direct to Liverpool, and not via London, as hitherto. He pointed out that the direct steamers would be available if only the shipowners trading to New Zealand were encouraged to put large and fast liners on the service.

Cargo Returned

Appropos Mr. Warner's remarks, it is interesting to note that the number of steamers which arrived at Liverpool in a direct service during the year ending July 1, 1927, was 17, and to July 1 of the present year 19, while the imports of meat, cheese, and butter for 1925, 1927, and nine months of the present year, were respectively: Meat, 13,926, 14,632, 16,571 tons; cheese, 1,621, 2,541, 2,904 tons, and butter, 1,668, 1,820 and 1,952 tons.

Regarding the imports into Liverpool of New Zealand lamb, the following figures are interesting, as showing that during June and July of 1927, there were in six cargoes no fewer than 484,743 carcasses, while from March 10 of the present year to August 27, there were landed in Liverpool 535,298 carcasses. This indicates that the imports of New Zealand produce into Liverpool are increasing, and that there is every possibility of development in Liverpool's trade with the Antipodes.

The following is an extract from the annual report for 1928 of the New Zealand Producers' Board:—"In the direction of improving the West of England service this season, the New Zealand Meat Producers' Board has arranged with the shipping companies for more vessels to be put on the berth for loading to these ports. The board also specially arranged that many of the additional vessels should load for both London and west coast ports of the United Kingdom, and this should prove of great advantage to shippers and in the development of New Zealand trade to these west coast ports."

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The Furnishings

The deck cabin is forward of boiler casing, neatly panelled with Philippine mahogany and with railway carriage windows at sides and fore end and curtains at windows; the settee is covered with Rexine and has spring bottom and floor covered with linoleum. The state room has polished brass ports fitted each side, and sides of room and ceiling in Philippine mahogany and with spring beds and drawers. Settee with lockers beneath, hair-stuffed cushions and holland cover; floor covered with linoleum, dressing table and wardrobe of mahogany and curtains to ports with two brass gimble lamps. Toilet below deck with under-water-line lavatory, wash basin, mirror and hat and coat hooks and towel rail with tiled floor, brass gimble lamp and brass forward ventilators. Cabin forward panelled with mahogany and with two sofa berths, dressing table, drawers and lockers and hinged ports, floor covered with linoleum, curtains over ports and brass gimble lamps. Cabin aft engine room fitted with spring bed and drawers and similarly panelled, dressing table, locker, hinged ports, linoleum and gimble lamp. Lavatory on port side with under-water-line W.C. wash basin, hat and coat hooks, linen locker and tiled floor, brass gimble lamp and polished copper ventilators. Kitchen on port side with cooking range, sink and dresser, tiled floor and oil lamp. Crews galley abaft kitchen with cooking range and lockers, tiled floor and bulkhead lamps. Crews lavatory on starboard side aft with under-water-line W.C. wash basin, tiled floors and oil lamps. Bathrooms similarly fitted and with enamelled bath. Crews space aft with six bunks. The rail and fender of vessel are fitted all round with heavy polished brass coping and all bollards and fairleads, etc., are of polished brass.

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SILK

The silk forwarded from Hong Kong by the "Empress of France" on Nov. 28 arrived in New York (St. John's Park), on Dec. 19, having been 21 days in transit.

The s.s. "Sanning" was undocked after annual overhaul and refit and has resumed service on the West River.

THE "PRES. PIERCE"

"WHO'S WHO" ABOARD THE VESSEL

Among the passengers aboard the "President Pierce" on her departure from Hong Kong for Seattle via ports, on Dec. 25, were:-

Mr. Paul Garshagen, of the Friedr. Ern & Co., travelling to Shanghai.

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Mr. Chan Shun-chow, a prominent Cantonese merchant, who is on a business trip to the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Payne, travelling to Shanghai. Mr. Payne is connected with the American Bank-note Corporation of the United States.

Mr. J. E. Woo, who is connected with Messrs. Arts & Crafts, returning to Shanghai.

Mr. Lo Kan, a director of the Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., travelling to Shanghai.

Mr. K. Morinaga, who is attached to the well-known Japanese firm of Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, on a business trip to the North.

TRAFFIC AT BRISTOL

Official returns published by the Port Authority show that traffic at Bristol for the seven months of the year shows a decrease in both the foreign and coastwise sections. Foreign tonnage entered this year totalled 1,251,846, compared with 1,254,048 a year ago, or a decrease of 12,202. The coastwise figures show the tonnage entered this year as 677,188, compared with 709,396 last year, or a decrease of 32,207.

Under the heading of imports and exports, the foreign total for this year is 1,337,842 tons, compared with 1,454,593 tons last year, or a decrease of 116,751 tons. In the coastwise section imports and exports for the year are given as 779,592 tons, compared with 815,713 tons, or a decrease of 36,121 tons. The total decrease in tonnage entered, foreign and coastwise, is 44,409, while imports and exports show a total decrease of 152,872 tons.

LINER ART EXHIBITION

The "Berengaria" art exhibition has been so successful that Sir Joseph Duveen has decided to organise another exhibition next year. The difficulty in regard to the U.S. regulations was smoothed over and the sales were excellent, about one-third of the works finding purchasers. Sir Martin Conway, chairman of the committee of British Artists' Exhibition, who returned in the "Berengaria," brought back with him a famous old master, a landscape by "Giorgione," which will be exhibited at the Burlington Galleries.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 9
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 21	Mar. 2
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 6	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 23
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 13
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 12	July 15	July 17	July 27

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*ALIPPORE	5,273	24th Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,005	16th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Hull.
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TILAWA	10,005	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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MOREA	10,953	4th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
ARAFURA	6,000	8th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,005	14th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*PADUA	5,907	18th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKIWA	7,336	20th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,049	28th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MACE DONIA	11,120	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,056	5th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

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TYNE LOADING JETTY

The Pelaw Main Collieries, Ltd., Birley, Durham, are embarking on a scheme to construct a new coal loading jetty on the Tyne at Pelaw Main for which they have obtained sanction from the Tyne Improvement Commission.

The quay is to be 147½ ft. long and 23 ft. wide, the north end being about 63 ft. southward of the south end of Maloney's quay.

The face of the jetty will be about 60 ft. riverward of high-water mark and between 12 and 15 ft. landward of the Commissioners' deep water quay or river line.

The quay is to be supported on 16 ferro-concrete cylinders 3 ft. and 5 ft. external diameter, and the cylinders are to be framed and braced together and the concrete decking is to be about 8 ft. above high-water ordinary spring tides. Timber fencing for the face of the quay will be used.

A movable steel tower fitted with an electric control is to be placed on rails on the quay and is to support the conveyor, the outer end of which is to be adjustable and capable of being extended to a point about 35 ft. riverward of the quay or about 20 ft. beyond the Commissioners' deep-water quay or river line. The conveyor shipping belt is to be constructed so that it can be drawn back within the face of the quay when not in use.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD

Bremen.—At a general meeting of the North German Lloyd the president, Herr Heineken, announced that an American syndicate, consisting of Kuhn, Loeb, and Co., and the Lee-Higginson Co. had offered to issue for the company 35,000,000 marks' worth of North-German Lloyd shares. The syndicate would introduce the shares on the New York Stock Exchange. The board of directors considered the offer extremely favourable, and urged its adoption to the shareholders, who unanimously approved an increase of the company's capital.

The president added that the North German Lloyd, although business had not been so satisfactory, would, it was hoped, be able to distribute the same dividend as last, namely, 8 per cent.—Reuter.

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A radio Christmas concert took place at 9 a.m. on Dec. 23, at Shanghai. Special features of the programme included songs and carols, and also an adaptation of Charles Dickens' famous Yuletide story "A Christmas Carol," rendered by Mr. E. A. Dearn. Similar concerts have long since become an institution in England, and elsewhere, and the China Broadcasting Association counts itself as fortunate in having the assistance of the artists named in connection with the presentation of this feature.

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T'au via S'ow & S'hai	WAISHING	Wed., 9th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Moji & Kobe	SUISANG	Thurs., 27th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	KUMSANG	Sun., 30th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	NAMSANG	Sat., 6th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Wed., 9th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri., 11th Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Fri., 18th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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Colombo, Suez and Port Said.	
ALTAI MARU	Tuesday, 8th January, 1929.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	
MANILA MARU	Saturday, 29th December.
MONTEVIDEO MARU	Friday, 8th February, 1929.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
SHUNKO MARU	Thursday, 3rd January.
SHIMO MARU	Monday, 7th January.
CHIFUKU MARU	Saturday, 19th January, 1929.
* (Calls at Penang & Karachi).	
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
MEXICO MARU	Sunday, 5th January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
* TACOMA MARU	Monday, 31st December.
* (Calls at Belawan Deli).	
BORNEO MARU	Friday, 18th January, 1929.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From Shanghai.	
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
BURMA MARU	Saturday, 5th January.
SAIGON	
HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow	
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 3rd January 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	
HAVANA MARU	Sunday, 6th January.
JAPAN PORTS	
HAVANA MARU	Sunday, 6th January.
KASADO MARU	Thursday, 10th January, 1929.
SUMATRA MARU	Sunday, 13th January, 1929.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
HOANG MARU	Sunday, 30th December Noon.
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 6th January Noon.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
DELI MARU	Thursday, 27th December 10 a.m.
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SOUABAYA MARU	Friday, 26th January, 1929.
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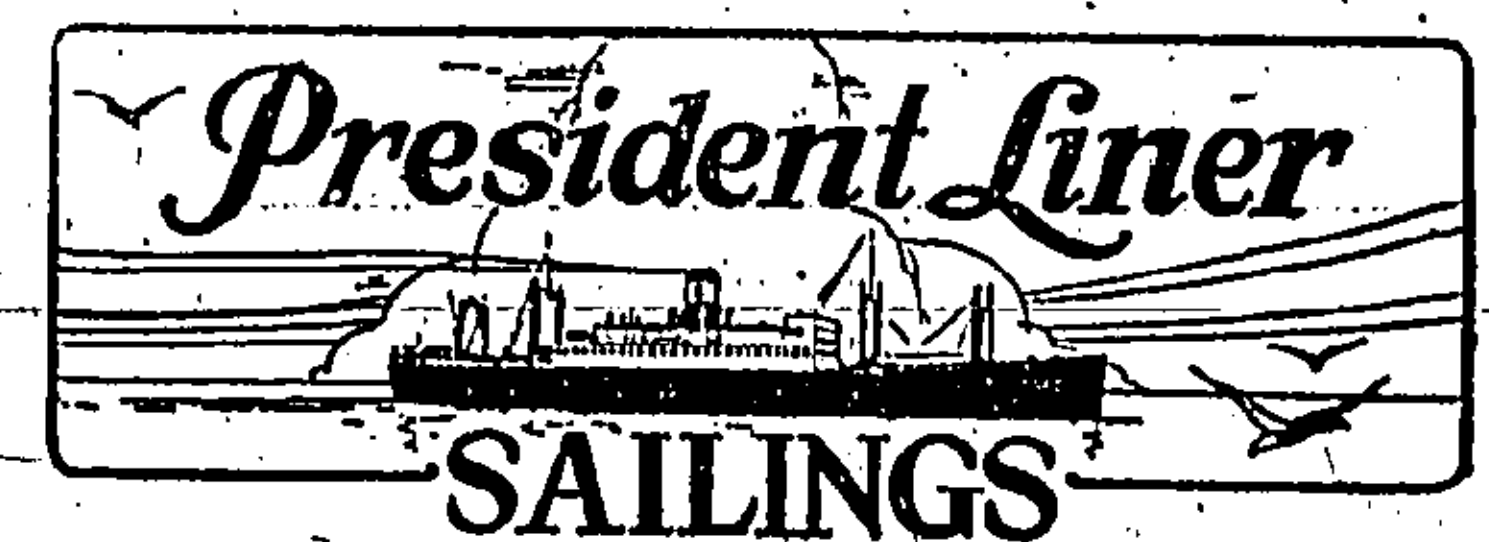
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Pres. Hayes	Jan. 27th 8 a.m.	Pres. Garfield	Mar. 10th 8 a.m.

To Manila

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Pres. McKinley	Jan. 5th 6 p.m.	Pres. Lincoln	Jan. 29th 6 p.m.
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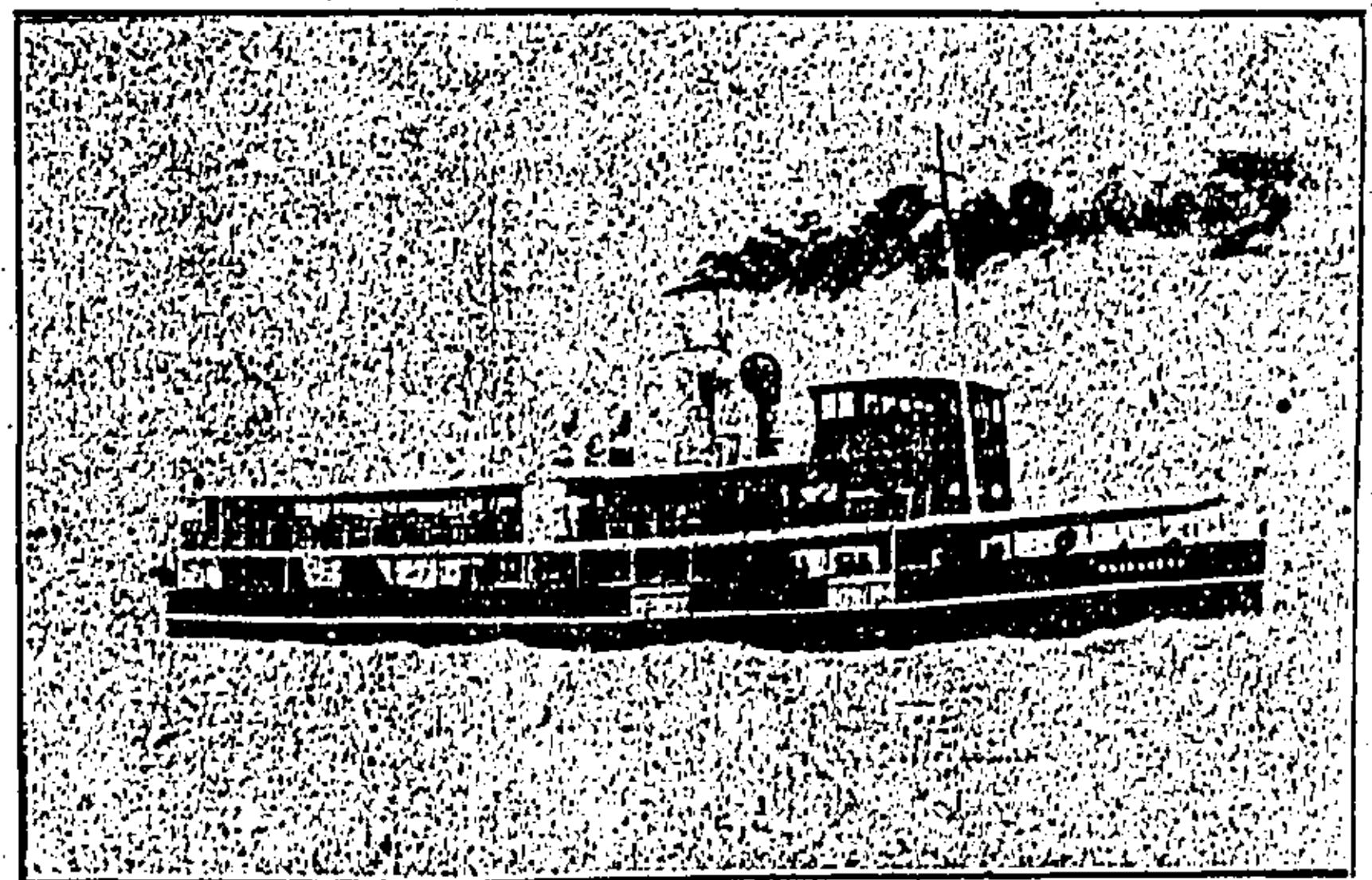
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CANADA'S SPLENDID
LOYALTY

Though the vast majority of
the people at Home have never
had any doubt, as to the stead-
fast loyalty to the Empire and the
Mother Country of our kinsmen
in Canada and of Canadians gener-
ally, there were, not unnatur-
ally, not a few good folks in the
homeland who shook their heads
doubtfully and regretfully when
it was made known that the
Canadians wished to set up a
Canadian Legation and be re-
presented by their own diplomatic
representative at Washington.

It seemed to those doubting ones
that such an act could only point
to the Canadians being more con-
cerned about their own material
and political advancement than
as to their part in the
solidarity of the British Empire.
Those who understood Canada
and the Canadians best promptly
ridiculed the idea that the Cana-
dians were not so keen as they
once were to regard themselves
as an integral and important
factor in the Empire. They real-
ized that Canada, in appointing
the Hon. Vincent Massey as their
Minister and head of the Cana-
dian Legation at Washington
was merely actuated by the
highly utilitarian motive of con-
venience and that their action
affected in no way Canada's po-
sition as a pillar of the British
Empire.

For a considerable time be-
fore the Legation was set up, the
subject had been discussed as
fully in Downing Street as in
Ottawa and the British Govern-
ment were in no way averse from
the step suggested. They fully
realized that the Canadian Gov-

ernment had a perfect right to
decide the point according to
their own desire and convenience
and the step seemed quite sensi-
ble and satisfactory in view of
the vast and increasing trade re-
lations existing between the two
countries, and was made all the
more sensible and satisfactory
when it was realized how closely
adjacent are the United States
and Canada.

If any doubt as to Canada's in-
terest in the Empire and loyalty
to His Majesty the King, as head
of the State, remained, it must
now be swiftly dissipated by the
splendid manifestation of loyalty
evinced in every sentence of the
message to His Majesty sent by
the Right Honourable Wm. Lyon
Mackenzie King, Prime Minister
of Canada. The "message"

breathes in every word love,
loyalty and reverence for the
King and the British Em-
pire, and it will long be
regarded as one of the most
splendidly patriotic and imperial
statements ever made by one of
the powerful pillars of the Em-
pire to the Motherland and to the
reigning sovereign. Canada's
Prime Minister has written to His
Majesty the King that—

"As an enduring expression of
the feeling of devotion to His
Majesty the King and of the near-
ness of the relationship between
Canada to all the other parts of
the Dominions, the Canadian Gov-
ernment has decided that on
Christmas Day they will restore
heavy postage on communications
from Canada to all the other parts
of the British Empire.

Nothing could be more admir-
able as an expression of loyalty to
the head of the Empire, and to
the Empire itself, but the fur-
ther statement makes the "mes-
sage" much more valuable, show-
ing as it clearly does how real
Canadians regard themselves in
the light of the Empire. The
Premier, after "respectfully
greeting His Majesty on behalf
of the Government and people of
Canada" says:—

"Never since His Majesty's ac-
cession have the feelings of love
and devotion of the Canadian
people towards His Majesty
found deeper and more universal
expression than during his illness
and never have the minds and
hearts of the British people every-
where been drawn more closely to-
gether. We should like at this
Christmas season, on the part of
Canada, to give an enduring ex-
pression of this oneness of feel-
ing and nearness of relationship
of our country to all parts of
Your Majesty's dominions."

The message concludes with a
statement to the effect that while
the reduction, (in the postage)
will be of more immediate and
direct benefit to the citizens of
Canada, it is hoped and believed
that it will serve to render more
enduring the ties uniting the Bri-
tish Commonwealth of Nations in
their common allegiance to the
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demonstrating that Canada and
the Canadians continue to be
proud of the fact that they are
powerful pillars of the British
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Prejudice is prejudgment,
opinion without thought, conclu-
sion before investigation, deter-
mination without evidence, con-
demnation without a day in court.
The word prejudice is the black
sheep, the outcast, the repulsive
degenerate of the royal family of
words; while prejudice, the act,
is the mockery of justice, the
chief of reputation. It found the
fagots and lighted the fires of
martyrdom all around the world;
it stoned Stephen; imprisoned
Paul; cast Daniel into the Lion's
den; bathed Gethsemane in tears;
wove the crown of thorns; reared
the cross and crucified the
messenger of God—William G.
Ewing.

The "China Mail" has received
the following cable from Hyder-
abad, Sind, India:—"Mr. V. Rup-
chand wishes all his friends and
customers a merry Christmas."

The total output of the Kailan
Mining Administration's mines
for the week ending December 8,
1928, amounted to 101,393 tons,
and the sales during the period to
102,310 tons.

THE YEO TRIAL

WHAT THE CASE COST
GOVERNMENT

FINANCIAL VOTES

The Finance Committee of the
Legislative Council at their meet-
ing on Thursday will have before
them for approval supplementary
expenditure amounting to
\$85,734. The following are the
more important votes:—

Marine Surveyors
Harbour Department:— In-
cidental Expenses, Expenses of
Assistant Government Marine
Surveyors in connection with
Board of Trade Training Course,
\$6,600.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$81,800; Provision made by Sup-
plementary Vote \$4,650; Total
\$86,450.

Estimated Travelling and Sub-
sistence Expenses of Messrs.
T. C. Stiff, W. Sprange and J.
Hunter, recently recruited Assis-
tant Government Marine Sur-
veyors in connection with Board
of Trade courses in the United
Kingdom.

Police Force:— Incidental Ex-
penses, \$800.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$5,000; Provision made by Sup-
plementary Vote, \$400; Total
\$5,400.

The vote has already been sup-
plemented to the extent of \$400
in respect of expenses incurred
by Mr. T. H. King for a course of
study whilst on leave. It is esti-
mated that a further sum of \$800
will be required to meet Crown
Agents accounts for Medical
Treatment for L.S. A107 T. Mc
Mahon who was injured while on
duty.

Provisions for Patients
Medical Department:— Other
Charges, 21 Provisions for Pa-
tients, \$6,500.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$118,000; Provision made by
Supplementary Vote, \$8,000;
Total, \$126,000.

It is regretted that when the
previous supplementary vote was
asked for the additional supply
required was underestimated. As
was stated before, the number of
patients at Victoria Hospital,
Kowloon Hospital and Maternity
Block of Government Civil Hospi-
tal has increased by over 50 per
cent, 25 per cent. and 10 per
cent. respectively.

Wongneichong Nullah
Public Works, Extraordinary:
—17, Hong Kong Training
Nullahs. Reconstruction of
Wongneichong Nullah, Section
No. 3, from Bowrington Canal to
Chinese stand, amount required
to meet Final Account on com-
pletion of Work, \$20,653.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$75,000.

The estimated cost of this work
was \$150,000 and the estimated
expenditure in 1927 \$100,000.
The work commenced late in 1927
and there was an unexpended
balance of \$57,994.47 on the 1927
vote.

Additional work has therefore
had to be done this year and the
supply asked for is in the nature
of a revote.

The above is to be met from
savings under head 31, sub-head
15, Reconstruction of Wongnei-
chong Nullah, Section No. 4.

Short Wave Transmitter:
Public Works Department:
Short Wave Transmitter, Cost of
W/T Gear in accordance with in-
formation received from C/A,
\$6,800.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$7,790.

When the short wave transmit-
ter was ordered from the Crown
Agents, they reported that
Messrs. Mareoni quoted \$1,120
for a complete set and that their
consulting engineer recommended
acceptance. The order was
placed accordingly. The total
cost including freight is not yet
known but is not expected to ex-
ceed \$14,000. The excess
(\$6,800) over the vote can be
met from savings on sub-heads,
the purchase of which is un-
necessary owing to a complete set
being obtained.

Stores Depreciation
Kowloon - Canton Railway:—
Other Charges, 18, Miscellaneous
E-1-7-3 Stores Depreciation,
\$2,521.00.

Provision made in Estimates
\$100; Provision made by Supple-
mentary vote, \$27,981; Total,
28,081.

64 rails of 85 lbs. section
weighing 20 tons 18 cwt. 3 qrs.
20 lbs. at \$140.66 per ton =
\$2,946.32 which were supplied in
1909-1910, have been condemned
on the recommendation of a
Board of Survey.

The rails were sold by tender
for \$426.18, leaving a balance of
\$2,520.14 to be written off.

As no provision has been made
in the current Estimates for this
depreciation, a Special Vote for
this amount is now asked for.

Carvalho Yeo Trial
Crown Solicitor:— Legal Ex-
penses, \$10,500.00. Provision
made in Estimates, \$3,000.

The vote of Legal Expenses
will be insufficient owing to the
additional expenses incurred in
connection with the prosecution
of Carvalho Yeo.

A Supplementary Vote \$10,600
is requested to cover the deficit.

Rent Allowance

175.—34, Miscellaneous Ser-
vices:—39, Rent Allowance, Asi-
atic Subordinate Officers, \$7,000.00.
Provision made in Estimates,
\$74,000.

Owing to the increased number
of officers now drawing rent
allowance it has been found that
the provision for this service falls
short of actual requirements by
\$7,000—and a supplementary vote
for this sum is requested to cover
commitments to the end of the
current year.

Resumptions

Public Works, Extraordinary:
—61, Kowloon—P. H. & B. O.—
Compensation and Resumptions,
compensation in connection with
Exchange K. I. L. No. 883 R. P.
to K. I. L. 1928, \$15,000.00.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$50,000; Provision made by Sup-
plementary Vote \$20,000; Total,
\$70,000.

K. I. L. No. 883 R. P. was sur-
rendered to Government in con-
nection with the development of
the district and a new lot was
granted in exchange in August,
1927, one of the conditions of the
exchange being that \$26,000
should be paid as compensation
in respect of the buildings on the
old lot within one month of their
removal. The removal has re-
cently been completed. There is
a balance of \$11,000 on the vote
and a supplementary supply of
\$15,000 is requested to enable
payment to be made within the
stipulated time.

\$9,000 of the above is to be
met from savings under Filling in
Tidal Flat and cutting down hill
between Tai Kok Tsui and Fuk
Tsun Heung.

"TO GROW SLIM."

WELL-KNOWN WOMAN
SINGER'S ADVICE

"Sing and grow slim" was the
slogan which Madame Clara
Novello-Davies gave to an au-
dience of doctors and nurses at
the College of Nursing Hall, Lon-
don, in a lecture-demonstration on
"Singing physicals."

Singing, she said, had been
usually associated with stoutness
through a false idea of benefit to
be gained from fat instead of
muscle. A sense of the ridicu-
lous seemed to be lacking in artist
and audience alike when a song-
bird weighing sixteen stone war-
bled "Where the bee sucks, there
suck I."

But the greatest singers of the
past were not stout, and Adelina
Patti was trained by physical as
well as vocal exercises. The
greatest present day prima don-
nas were slim and supple, and
sang on muscle instead of fat.

CUSTOMS AND MANNERS

Last night, writes "A Lon-
doner" in the "Evening Standard"
of Nov. 2, I met a law-abiding,
intelligent young woman, who
was still a little "dazed" by an
astonishing cross-examination by
Customs Officials she had under-
gone the day before on her re-
turn from a short visit to Paris.

I have no sympathy with the silk-
smuggling woman, and I realise
the importance of sleuth work by
the officials, but do any circum-
stances justify them in asking an
examinee if she is travelling
alone or in remarking to her,
"You seem to go to Paris very
often?" These interrogations
seem to be mere fruitless imper-
finences.

PRAPS-PRAPS NOT!

"All the Smiths seem to refer
to their mother-as-the-mater."
I call it affection."
"Well, but so she is. She's
managed to marry off her six
daughters."

Brown: "There goes my old
day school teacher."
Jones: "But, surely—it cannot
be! You are as old as he is."
Brown: "Quite right. He was
once the bright boy who sat next
to me and did all my lessons for
me."

"I want," said the house-hunt-
er, "a house in an isolated posi-
tion—at least five miles from any
other house."

"I see," said the house-agent,
with an understanding sort of
smile. "You want to practise the
simple life?"

"No," answered the house-
hunter, grimly; "I want to prac-
tise the cornet."

Biggs: "That old chap over
there seems very mean."

Waggs: "Yes. The only thing
he has ever spent is his youth,
and he regrets spending that."

Amateur Gardener: "Ethel!"
His Wife: "Yes, dear?"
A.G.: "About this acorn.
Where do you think it will give
most shade?"

Daughter: "Mr. Dash tells me
he has travelled extensively."

Father (gruffly): "So he ought;
he's been on the trams ten years
to my knowledge!"

Wife: "It's about time, our
daughter was getting married."

Hubby: "Well, let her wait
until the right man comes along."
Wife: "Why should she? I
didn't!"

Little Minnie had been sent
down to the draper's to buy some
linen buttons for mother.

"A little larger than a six-
pence," mother had said.
Full of importance the child
entered the shop and announced:
"I want two dozen linen buttons,
as big as sevenpence."

An altercation anent the fare
provided had taken place between
the boarder and his landlady.

"I see no room for complaint,"
remarked the latter. "I give you
good, plain food."

"It may be good, but it isn't
plain," returned the boarder.
"It's almost invisible!"

The meeting was suddenly inter-
rupted by the entrance of one who
made his way to the platform and
whispered excitedly to the chair-
man:—

"Is Mr. Smith in the audience?"
broke forth the chairman.
"Awfully sorry to say I have just
been informed that his house is
on fire." Sixty men immediately
sprang to their feet.

"One moment, please, gentle-
men," added the chairman as the
men made a rush for the exits,
"to be exact, it is the house of
Mr. John Smith."

"Thank heavens!" fervently
exclaimed one harassed-looking
man, as he sank back again in his
seat.

The proprietor of the dairy was
very angry with one of his milk-
roundsmen. "Jones!" he bawled,
"you're an absolute fool!"

Surprised, the man in question
put down his can and looked at
his "boss" questioning.

"You had a complaint from
Mrs. Snaggs," went on the
"boss," "and she wasn't at all
satisfied with your answer!"

"Well, sir," said the puzzled
milkman, "she was a-tellin' me as
'ow the milk were thin an' got no
cream in it."

"Yes," said his governor, "and
you, like a blithering idiot, went
and told 'er our milk was as
right as 'rain'!"

It was at an orchestral per-
formance, and after gazing at the
bass fiddle player, a man in the
stalls muttered, "He'll never do it
—he'll never do it!"

"At length, the title of the num-
ber was announced, whereupon
the mutterer continued, his re-
mark, making it louder each
time.

This was too much for an an-
noyed gentleman in the row in
front, and he eventually turned
round angrily, and said, "Con-
found you and your muttering,
sir."

"Well, he can't do it, I tell you.
I'll bet you a quid he can't!" was
the reply.

"Can't do what, sir?" Can't do
what?"

"Put that there fiddle under his
chin," was the disconcerting an-
swer.

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MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Hull.
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TILAWA	10,006	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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MOREA	10,953	4th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
ARAFURA	9,005	8th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,006	14th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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MACDONIA	11,120	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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TYNE LOADING JETTY

The Pelaw Main Collieries, Ltd., Birtley, Durham, are embarking on a scheme to construct a new coal loading jetty on the Tyne at Pelaw Main for which they have obtained sanction from the Tyne Improvement Commission.

The quay is to be 147½ ft. long and 23 ft. wide, the north end being about 63 ft. southward of the south end of Maloney's-quay.

The face of the jetty will be about 60 ft. riverward of high-water mark and between 12 and 15 ft. landward of the Commissioners' deep water quay or river line.

The quay is to be supported on 16 ferro-concrete cylinders 3 ft. and 5 ft. external diameter, and the cylinders are to be framed and braced together and the concrete decking is to be about 8 ft. above high-water ordinary spring tides. Timber fencing for the face of the quay will be used.

A movable steel tower fitted with an electric control is to be placed on rails on the quay and is to support the conveyor, the outer end of which is to be adjustable and capable of being extended to a point about 35 ft. riverward of the quay or about 20 ft. beyond the Commissioners' deep-water quay or river line. The conveyor shipping belt is to be constructed so that it can be drawn back within the face of the quay when not in use.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD

Bremen.—At a general meeting of the North German Lloyd the president, Herr Heineken, announced that an American syndicate, consisting of Kuhn, Loeb, and Co., and the Lee-Higginson Co. had offered to issue for the company 35,000,000 marks' worth of North-German Lloyd shares. The syndicate would introduce the shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

The board of directors considered the offer extremely favourable, and urged its adoption to the shareholders, who unanimously approved an increase of the company's capital.

The president added that the North German Lloyd, although business had not been so satisfactory, would, it was hoped, be able to distribute the same dividend as last, namely, 8 per cent.—Reuter.

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A radio Christmas concert took place at 9 a.m. on Dec. 23, at Shanghai. Special features of the programme included songs and carols, and also an adaptation of Charles Dickens' famous Yuletide story "A Christmas Carol" rendered by Mr. E. A. Dearn. Similar concerts have long since become an institution in England and elsewhere, and the China Broadcasting Association counts itself as fortunate in having in connection with the presentation of this feature.

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Straits & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Wed., 9th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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Sandakan	HIMSANG	Fri., 18th Jan. at 3 p.m.
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ALTAI MARU	Tuesday, 8th January, 1929.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	Saturday, 29th December.
MANILA MARU	Friday, 8th February, 1929.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Monday, 7th January.
*SHUNKO MARU	Thursday, 3rd January.
SHINYO MARU	Monday, 7th January.
CHIFUKU MARU	Saturday, 19th January, 1929.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Sunday, 5th January.
MEXICO MARU	Sunday, 5th January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Monday, 31st December.
*TACOMA MARU	(Calls at Belawan Doli).
BORNEO MARU	Friday, 18th Jan'y, 1929.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From Shanghai.	Friday, 18th Jan'y, 1929.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Saturday, 5th January.
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SAIGON	Saturday, 5th January.
HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow	Thursday, 3rd January 10 a.m.
NEW YOKO—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Thursday, 10th January, 1929.
HAVANA MARU	Sunday, 6th January.
JAPAN PORTS	Sunday, 13th January, 1929.
HAVANA MARU	Sunday, 6th January.
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KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	Sunday, 30th December Noon.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 30th December Noon.
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 6th January Noon.
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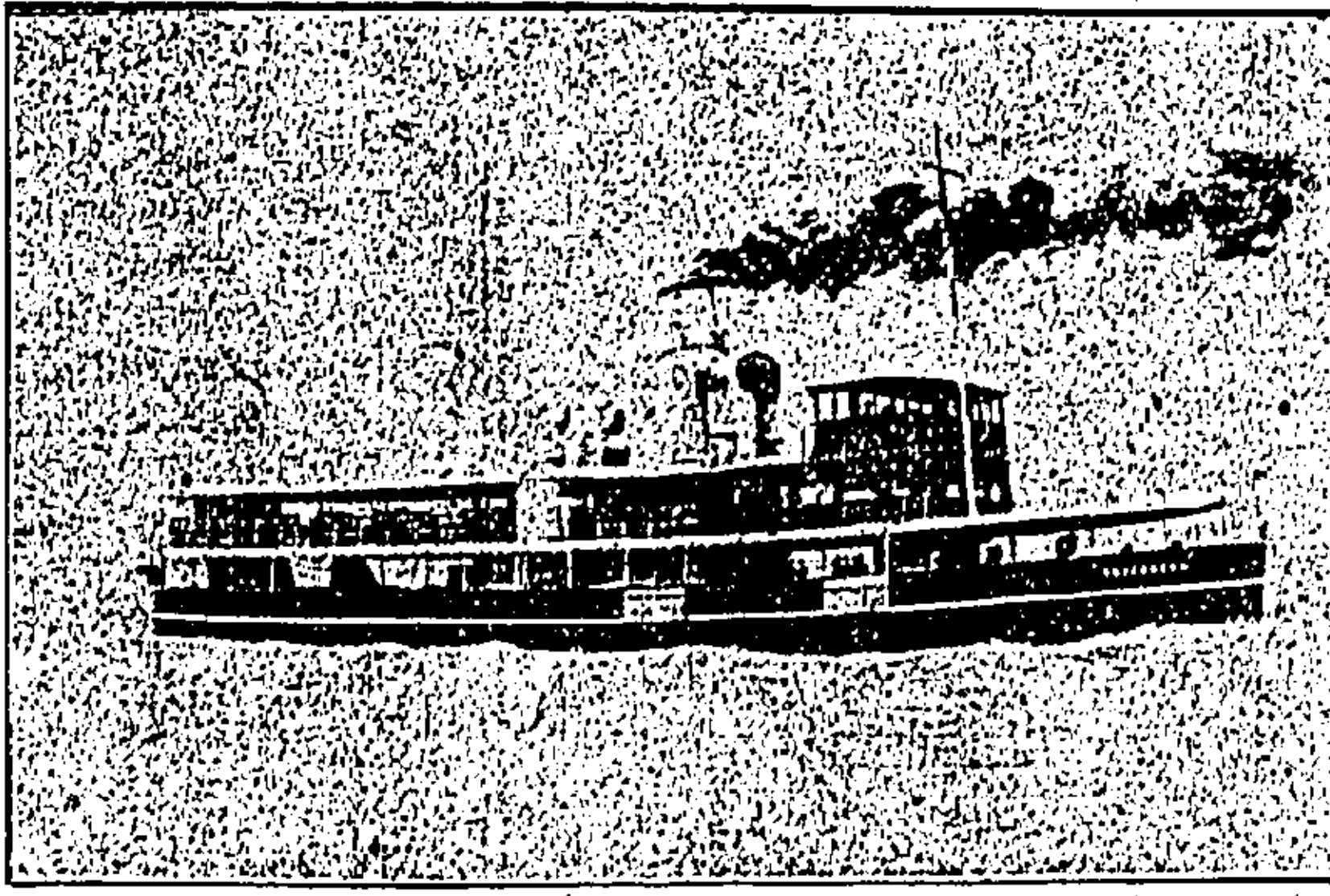
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FISH & FIGURES

WHERE A YOUNG MAN FOUND POETRY

BOOKS AND BOATS

As he sauntered through the narrow crooked streets of the little New England seaport town, on his way to the offices of the McIntyre Fish Corporation, Edgar Ferguson was at peace with all the world.

After seven strenuous months in New York, working with a senior who had no more imagination than a comptometer, he had at last obtained his chance to handle a job alone. Better still, it was an out-of-town assignment; and best of all, it was by the sea.

He welcomed the brine-impregnated breezes; examined with keen interest the dim interiors of ship chandlers' stores, the lofts of sail-makers, and the netted expense of the fish-curing yards. He inhaled, with evident relish, the conglomerate odours of fish, tar, hulks, and the indefinable smell of sea-washed piles, moss green and decaying. New York, with its hard glare, its restless elevators, and surging human masses, seemed very far away. Here, one was in contact with elemental things, and age old pursuits. He passed a hole in the wall, in which sat a cobbler, ancient and bowed. An old grandfather clock solemnly ticked away the hours in a dark remote corner.

Though Edgar Ferguson had chosen accountancy as a means of earning a livelihood, and thoroughly enjoyed his work, there was a streak in his mental make-up which demanded that his professional activities should be linked up with the realities of the business to which those activities were related. In other words, he wanted to see pictures as a background for his analysis of costs and sales, assets and liabilities. His previous assignment had been auditing the books of a cotton mill with head offices in New York. But from the eighteenth floor of a skyscraper what can one see of cotton fields like snow in October, and southern Negroes crooning their plaintive songs, or exchanging native wit?

But here was something entirely satisfying to nature that years for poetry while probing for errors, and looks for aesthetic emotions when analyzing assets. To audit the books of a fish company at the very seat of operations was to work in an atmosphere and environment which would give vitality and interest to every individual expense account, and endow every income account with an aura of romance.

Take the account "Maintenance and Repairs to Wharves," for instance: "Well, there they are, just across the narrow slip of water that separated the wharves from the plant and offices. The harbour waters lap their drooping piles, and the noise of busy activity is wafted across the water. And here, on this side, is the skeleton of a wharf that once was; gaping holes and yawning crevices are plainly visible in her rotting planks. Weather-worn and sea-washed piles, with nothing to support, stick out of the water at rakish angles, or, defeated because of the lack of that unity which means strength to withstand the insistent pressure of eternal tides, lie waterlogged amid the wreckage of lumber with which the shore is strewn. To the artist, this derelict wharf would be a picture worthy of brush of dry paint; but since it has, somehow, escaped the regenerating ministrations as represented by the 'Maintenance and Repairs to Wharves' account, it is no longer an active unit in the plant of the McIntyre Fish Corporation. Nevertheless, many times during the day, Edgar Ferguson's gaze wandered away to the old ruined wharf.

"Repairs to the Mary Ann"—the item jumped out of the voucher register the following day as he was methodically checking the supporting vouchers, verifying charges, and ticking off the distribution to expense accounts. Clustered around the wharves on the other side of the slip was a tangled bunch of trawlers, schooners and Guinea boats. The Mary Ann—that was a good old-fashioned name, reminiscent of the days of our grandmothers. Would she, by any chance, be tied up there at the wharves? He couldn't resist the temptation to find out. Suddenly his eyes kindled with a new light: "There she is!" Yes, the Mary Ann, broad of beam, and with a long tapering prow, lay alongside one of the wharves. She looked a trim, sturdy little vessel. Her sails were reefed, but she carried her masts with pride.

A mass of tangled cordage made a catenary pattern against the clear sky. Somewhere within was a motor, of course, but this, she hid discreetly, as if ashamed of the indignity imposed upon her because modern industry demands more than the aid of nor'westers and sou'westers to drive her ships across the deep. To all appearances she was the same "Mary Ann" that had slid down the greased slips of the ship-builder's dock—how many years ago? Ah! that was an idea, and

once more the accountant in Edgar Ferguson came to the surface. What valuation did she carry on the books of the company? He went to the vault and began a search for a "plant ledger." This was not in the day's programme, but the desire to discover the age of "Mary Ann" was too strong to resist.

He thumbed the well-worn record till he came to a section headed, "Vessels owned and operated by the company." This was followed by an account with each separate boat, showing the purchase cost, the subsequent charges for repairs and additions, and the amount of depreciation charged off each year. Impatiently he turned the folios until he found the account for the "Mary Ann." Built in 1903. So she had been in the service of the company for twenty-five years. But that was five years longer than the accepted rate of depreciation on ships of her type. She didn't even figure as an asset! She had outlived her allotted span; a pensioner, perhaps, or kept on for charity? Never! There she was, proudly taking her place with lesser craft—craft which still carried an asset valuation on the books of the corporation.

His ruminations were interrupted by an ancient of rubicund countenance, who wore a peaked sailor's cap, all askew. Ferguson had heard him referred to, and addressed as "Cap'n," and he appeared to be some sort of official-at-large about the docks.

"Hello, young feller! You're interested in the boats, I see?" Ferguson smiled genially at his cheery visitor. "You're right! There's something about this whole business that gets me. Look at the 'Mary Ann' there; according to the books of the company, she isn't worth a cent, and yet I wouldn't mind hazarding that the old boat's as good as any of the others lying alongside of the wharf at this minute."

"You're right she is, boy. I know 'em all. When the company took me off the boats"—he gave a grunt of protest—"they made me superintendent of the wharves. It's a good job all right, an' I'm not kicking, but give me the sea, boy! However, I was goin' to tell yer about the 'Mary Ann.' I mind me one day in '25 when it was blowin' like everything an' the snow was drivin' so's y' couldn't see a ship's length ahead of yer. An' old! Boy, I seldom seen worse. MacMillan couldn't have had it colder. Well, some of the boats was 'out, but one by one they come creepin' into dock. But the 'Mary Ann' wasn't one of 'em. Pretty soon we got anxious. She hadn't no radio in them days, so we jes' ad to sit tight an' wait, an' hope for the best."

"When night came the storm was worse, an' we thought up the poor men on the railroad. But some of the boys began to shake their heads an' sed, 'God help the poor old 'Mary Ann!' But 'bless yer heart, son, the next day about noon, an' it was still as cold as ever, who should we see a-come crawling into harbour but the 'Mary Ann.' The ol' sun was doin' his best to make up for the dirty weather of the day before, an' the ol' boat looked like nothin' that ever was. Her shrouds were sheeted with ice, an' y' couldn't have told the colour of her paint on one blessed square inch of her hull; she was covered with ice eight inches thick! An' you should have seen the boys that come off her! But boy, she had a haul of fish!"

"She certainly was a sight for my eyes; with the sun on her she was all the colours of the rainbow. She'd lost two of her boats, and a lot of tackle; an' we couldn't touch her for three days. Ain't worth anything! Why boy, the ol' 'Mary Ann' saved the reputation of the company that day!"

"A far-away dreamy look was in the eyes of the young auditor. No, accounts don't tell the whole story, after all. There are some credits which can never be put on the books, and some intangible assets which can never be reflected in the balance sheet. The 'Mary Ann' had put to sea, and her crew being made of the stuff that history and poetry have immortalized for those 'that go down to the sea ships,' had gone a-fishing. In the teeth of the wildest fury. From the wild seas that swept her decks and carried away her gear, she dragged trawls of fish, and added another profitable item to the 'merchandise' account."

But she made port with more than fish; she bore in her battered hull the scars of battle, and the very ice that enshrouded her turned to crystal glory in the noon sun. —A.J.P. in the "Christian Science Monitor."

The marriage took place last month at Prince's-regis Registry Office, Westminster, of Mrs. Rosemund Nina Runciman, formerly the wife of Mr. Walter Leslie Runciman, and Mr. Wogan Phillips, a nephew of Lord Kylsant.

Mr. A. H. F. Edwards, Officiating Inspector-General of Customs, left Shanghai for Peking a few days ago.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Hula." To-day—World Theatre; "The Better Ole." To-day—Star Theatre; "Hot Water." Dec. 27-29—Queen's Theatre; "The Divine Woman." Dec. 28-29—World Theatre; "Seventh Heaven." Dec. 27-29—Star Theatre; "Paris At Midnight."

Sports

To-day—Christmas Golf meeting at Fanning. To-day—R.H.K. Yacht Club Race to Macao. To-day—"Sunday Herald" Cup: Portugal v. Scotland, Club ground. Dec. 28—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI vs. H. K. Club "A," 5 p.m. Miscellaneous. To-day—H.K.Y.M.C.A. All day Ramble to Talmoshan.

IN SHANSI

NO LONGER MODEL PROVINCE

Peking.—The "model province" of China, Shansi, is no longer a model for anybody, according to authenticated reports from the province long ruled by Marshal Yen Hsi-shan.

Since the "model governor," Marshal Yen, became a good Nationalist in 1926, the province has gone steadily downhill, until to-day it is rated with eight other districts as the worst-off in China's 19. The reason, according to observers, is that Marshal Yen's attention has been diverted from his own province to national affairs, with unfortunate results for Shansi.

Shansi Regrets Decision

Newspaper and magazine articles have written for years about Shansi, the "model province." Since the revolution which overthrew the Manchus in 1912, Marshal Yen has ruled the province thoroughly and well. He has been praised time and again as the one warlord in China who did not "bite off more than he could chew." He was satisfied, from 1912 to 1926, to administer his own province, and to do that good-sized job better than anybody else in China.

But the Nationalist movement grew stronger through the years, and Marshal Yen had pressure brought upon him to join forces with the Nationalist leaders. He was naturally sympathetic with any movement for the betterment of China, but still did not care to join in the interminable civil wars which had caused so much suffering in other provinces. But in 1926, some argument prevailed upon Marshal Yen to throw in his lot with the Nationalists—he signalled his entry into China's civil wars by a surprise attack upon Chang Tso-lin's armies, then firmly entrenched in Peking.

Shansi's millions are still regretting that decision. From that day to this, the province has been supporting an ever-increasing army, which had fought largely outside the province, and has brought no particular benefit in return for the steadily mounting taxes.

Loses Control

And since June of this year, Shansi has also been deprived of the benefits of Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's benevolent supervision. The Nanking Government persuaded Marshal Yen to come to Peking and bring his most able subordinate with him. He was promised control of the Peking-Tientsin area, but that promise has been partly kept. Marshal Yen has had to share military control with General Pei Chung-hai, the fiery Mohammedan war-lord from Kwangsi, and civilian control has been taken completely out of his hands by the district Kuomintang. He has not even been permitted to discipline unruly labour agitators and students.

Marshal Yen is a very short man, with a wistful face like that of a poet. He has become steadily more wistful as the days in Peking have passed, and he has seen his dreams evaporating. And in the meantime, reports reaching him from Shansi have shown that the "model province" is now very much like the rest of China.

Suffers From Famine

Shansi is suffering now from one of the worst famines in history. This is partly due to drought this autumn, but foreigners who live there declare the primary cause is depredations by bandits and soldiers. The bandits became active soon after Marshal Yen had moved more than half of his standing army out of the province. There was no-one to curb their activities.

Marshal Yen is still attempting to work with the Nanking Government, but Chinese close to him report that he is very sorrowful these days. He recalls the 14 years during which millions blessed his name, and in contrast the last two years, with their bitter disappointments, smacks of failure. —United Press.

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IN OTHER PLACES

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The Shanghai Jewish Amateur Players are at present rehearsing an amusing comedy in Yiddish entitled "Mishke and Moishke" by Joseph Latiner, which is to be presented early in January.

The wedding of Mr. Patrick J. Foley, of Scarboro Estate, Penang, and Miss Emma Evelyn McNamara daughter of the late Mr. Robert McNamara and Mrs. McNamara, of Auburnville, Limerick, took place at the Parish Church, Adare, on Nov. 28.

A small exhibition of water colour sketches by members of the Singapore Sketch Club was held at the Y.M.C.A., Orchard-road, recently. No charge was made for admission. The secretary of the club is Mr. H. M. Cole, of H.M. Naval Base, Seletar.

A largely attended dinner was given at the Sheffield Hotel in Upper Museum-road, Singapore, by the staff of the Topographical Survey Department, F.M.S. and S.S., to bid their chief Mr. J. N. Sheffield Assistant Surveyor-General, F.M.S. and S.S., farewell on the eve of his retirement from the service.

Miss Chan tells me that she is not unwilling to be married to the youth chosen by her foster-father. Mr. Chan, delighted to have his dream made true, views the betrothal in the light that he can hardly object to the choice of the man who brought up his daughter for him; even though he, as the real father, had no say in the matter.

News has been received in Shanghai of the success of Mrs. Margaret Corneek in examination under the auspices of the Phonetic Institute in England. Mrs. Corneek, who was formerly a pupil of the Thomas Hanbury School, and has taught shorthand in Shanghai for 20 years, has been awarded Pitman's shorthand theory certificate, and 80, 90 and 100 words speed certificate, besides receiving Pitman's shorthand teachers' diploma.

A tablet in memory of Dr. John B. Fearn was unveiled in the Community Church, Shanghai, last Sunday morning. Mr. R. Calder Marshall was the speaker. The inscription on the tablet reads as follows:

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Shanghai Chinese papers to hand say that Senhor Joao de Bianchi, the Portuguese Minister, will leave Nanking for Shanghai.

The engagement is announced of Zeala, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wakeford Cox, Shanghai, to Major M. Limbery, M.C.

The Shanghai Chinese press has published a report to the effect that three obsolete gunboats have been purchased by the San Pei S.N. Co. from the Ministry of Navy and that they will soon be transformed into merchant vessels.

Sir Ronald Ross, who announced recently that he had been compelled to offer his malaria research archives for sale, stated that Lady Houston, the widow of the shipping magnate, had bought them for £2,000, the price he named.

Work was to begin on December 15, said the Chinese press, on the repairs to the Yellow River Bridge, Tientsin-Pukow Railway, which was dismantled by the Shanghai forces under Marshal Chang Chung-chang during their retreat some months ago.

A denial is published Mr. Hu Han-min of the reports that the National Government has consented to assume responsibility for the Nishihara loans. Mr. Hu says that all countries will be given equal treatment and no special privileges will be accorded the Japanese.

The Nationalist Government is reported by the Chinese papers at last to have formed a committee to undertake the work of the Hwai River conservancy. This waterway is considered to be one of the most important in Anhui and north Kiangsu, as it is the outlet of the waters of the flood districts.

Now that he has received orders not to appropriate any part of the horse-racing taxes (contributed by the International Recreation Club and the Chinese Jockey Club to the Municipality of Greater Shanghai), the Gendarmerie Commissioner, Gen. Hsiung Hsi-hui, says that he requires money to keep his troops and so he has telegraphed to Nanking asking Gen. Chiang Kai-shek to make the necessary arrangements in this connection.

Friends of Dr. Arthur de Carvalho will be interested to know that he has been invited to exhibit oil paintings in one of the leading art galleries in Europe, and he is now working on some typically Chinese pictures which will be sent to Paris for the spring exhibition. It may be remembered that Dr. de Carvalho's work was shown at the recent exhibition of the Shanghai Art Club and created a favourable impression not only upon local connoisseurs but upon professional artists who were visiting Shanghai at the time.



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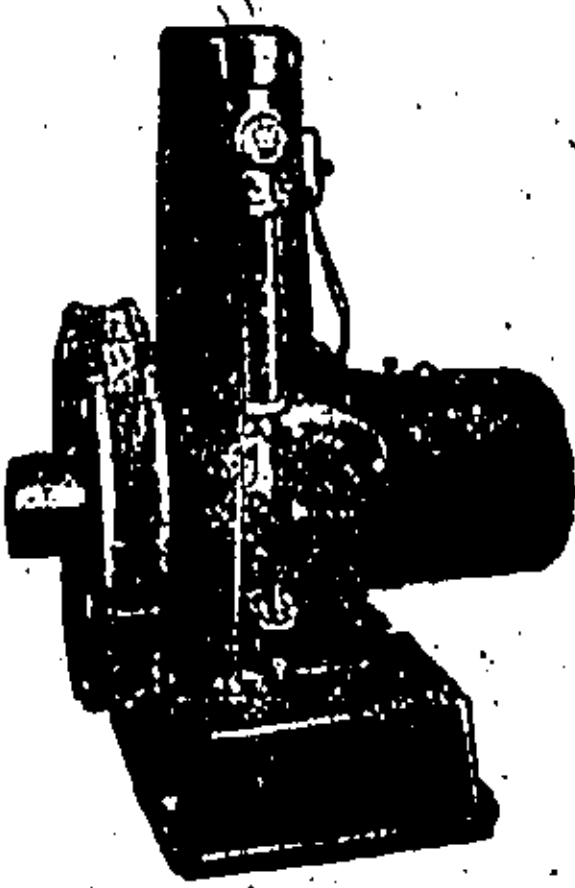
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BISHOP'S POLICY

2 STANDARDS OF AUTHORITY
SET UP

"JIX'S" CHARGES CONTESTED

An answer to the critics who charge the Bishops with disregard of the law, and assert that their newly-framed policy is a defiance of Parliament, is made by the Bishop of Hereford, Dr. Linton Smith, in the "Hereford Diocesan Messenger." The article is the text of an address delivered by the Bishop to the recent Diocesan Conference. It is designed to show that the Bishops have a dual allegiance to Church and State, and that their new policy is legitimate exercise of the authority vested in them by the former. It is of greater interest since it contests many of the points urged by the Home Secretary.

Necessity Knows No Law
Dr. Linton Smith admits that questions of conscience may be raised by the Bishops' proposals, but dismisses as unjust the general charge that the clergy as a whole have forsaken themselves in admitting any variation from the strict statutory form of the services of the Church.

In the first place I want to say that I believe it is an admitted principle of administration that the pressure of circumstances may override the law," he states.

"The old maxim, 'Necessity knows no law,' is the expression of that position. Now I put it to you that the change of life in the past 250 years has been so great that the law which was applicable then has become inapplicable in all its strictness now.

"In the second, place, to the ordinary mind the words 'lawful authority, connote nothing but Statutory authority, the authority of Acts of Parliament. But every time that I institute a clergyman to his benefice I use a phrase in a legal document which reminds us that there are two standards of authority recognised in the Church.

"I refer to the phrase, 'as are by Canon Law or Statute' in such cases required. And men have come to the conviction that the authority of the Church recognised in such a phrase bids them do certain acts which are not in accordance with the ordinary and popular interpretation of Statute Law."

Government by Consent
Dr. Linton Smith contends that the dual authority of a Bishop is recognised at his consecration when he is asked if he will "correct and punish according to such authority as you have by God's Word, and as 'to you shall be committed by the Ordinance of the Realm."

"I cannot interpret this as meaning anything else than that the Bishop qua Bishop receives his authority from the Church," he comments, "but that in so far as the Church has entered into relationship with the State certain statutory authority is conferred upon him by the State.

"Now it is quite clear that in the proposals which the Bishops are putting forward they are acting simply as ministers charged with government in the Church of Christ." They are acting only by such authority as is theirs through their consecration to their office.

"It is from this position that they make an appeal for loyalty, not to themselves, as they have been misrepresented as doing, but to the express views of the Church given through her representative institutions.

"The proposals impose nothing beyond his statutory responsibilities on any Minister; they ask that no man in the exercise of his ministerial functions should go beyond the expressed voice of the Church. Such government as they imply implies government not by statute but by consent."

BRITISH MODESTY

MR. SELFIDGE ON LACK OF
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POTENT INFLUENCE

Mr. H. Gordon Selfridge was the chief guest at Pagani's Restaurant of the London Master Printers' Association (West and North-West London section). The occasion was the first of a series of luncheons arranged in order to make the seven London districts of the Association better acquainted with each other and with the views of prominent men of the day. Mr. J. R. Burt (president) occupied the chair.

Mr. Selfridge said he had learned the business of a printer many years ago through acting as advertisement canvasser and general manager for a small amateur paper in the United States, with such results that he and the editor saved enough money to visit Niagara Falls. (Laughter.) He had still a keen interest in journalism, and if any of those present had a daily newspaper for sale at a low price he was prepared to consider it favourably. (Loud laughter.) In his own business, he said, they called employees "members" for the good reason that it lent a man a touch of extra dignity to feel he was a member of the house. There were a few foreigners in his firm's employ, but the vast majority were British, and this accounted for the splendid loyalty of their staff. Visitors from the United States often wished that they could take back a few hundreds of these Britishers.

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The policeman grinned. Said he: "Sure, see that building down the street," pointing to a distant structure.

The visitor saw it. Continued the policeman: "Well, that's a church."

"Yes, but surely I can't get a drink there," said the startled Shanghai-lander.

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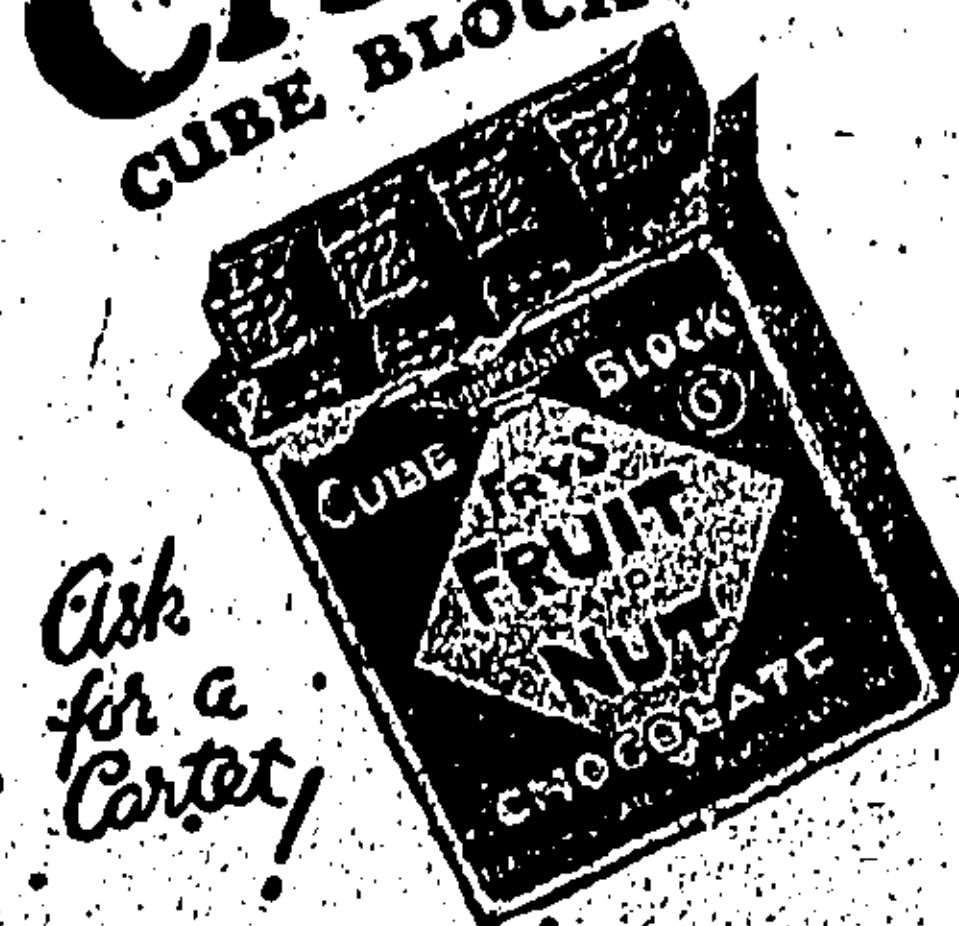
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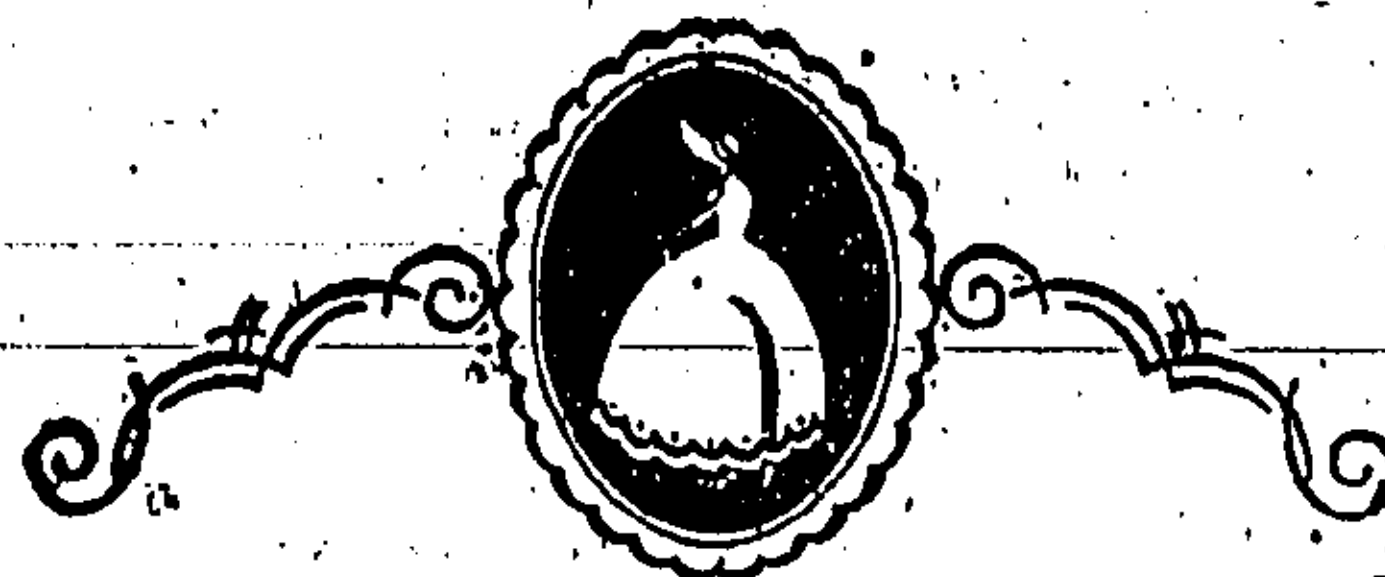


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SUNDAY HERALD CHARITY CUP

ENGLAND BEAT CHINA

England 4 (Goldman 3, Hooper 1).
China 2 (Fung King-chung, Ip Pak-wa).

Before a splendid holiday crowd England defeated China in a very bright game by 4 goals to 2 yesterday and qualify for the final in the above competition.

England's team was changed from that originally selected, but proved a very strong side. The match was very exciting and before England made the issue safe, China played desperately. England's early lead assured victory and for this they have to thank Goldman, the Club Centre, who throughout, was in great form, leading and distributing finely.

The teams lined out as under:
England:—Mott, (Beds and Herts); Wynn (Police) Baker (Navy); Everest (K.O.S.B.); Hill (Queen's), Cantor (Queen's); Barkham (Navy) Stock (K.O.S.B.); Goldman (Club) Barclay (Queen's) Hooper (Queen's).
China:—Pau, Ka-ping (South China); Chen Yut (South China) Lii Yut-tat (Athletic); Pang Wang (South China); Wong Shui wei (Athletic); Wong Pak-chung (Athletic); Chen Kwong-ju (Athletic); Pau Ka-chuen (South China); Fung King-chung (South China); Suen Kam-sung (Athletic); Ip Pak-wa (South China).
Referee:—Mr. F. Smith.

Goldman Prominent

The match started in a buzz of excitement, with Goldman very early prominent and the huge holiday crowd applauded brilliant work on England's right, and also dashing footwork by Suen and Fung. The game gave early promise of being a very good one, and the football was very bright. England, however, were more together early and Goldman, receiving a nice pass from Barclay, beat Pau amid a great shout.

China were not showing so well at the start as they usually do, and Goldman was through again after a fine bit of work by Hooper who was playing on the extreme left. England's chance looked a big one now, and Ip Pak-wa for China and Hooper for England both came very near, but it was left to Fung to score for China right on the interval after a faulty clearance by Mott.

Second Half

The second portion of the match was intensely interesting, and China made a great effort. First class passing between Fung, Pau Ka-chuen, and Chen nearly led to a score, and on the left Suen and Ip Pak-wa were playing beautifully together, but after Mott had saved a glorious shot from Chen, and the English defence had been fully extended, Goldman got away. Dashing between the backs he sent a grand low shot to Pau who could not hold the twisting ball; a fine goal.

The next quarter of an hour witnessed the finest struggle of the match. China made a great fight and the cheering was continuous as Suen and Pau Ka-chuen and Fung all came near with good attempts. Eventually Ip Pak-wa scored China's second goal with a dashing effort.

The football at this stage was most exciting. Mott saved at full length, and a great drive by Fung was cleared by Baker in China's determined effort. The defence was a trifle lucky and held.

China's big attempt at this stage was a feature of the game as was the equally good defence of Mott, Wynne and Baker.

End to end play followed, and England gradually reasserted themselves, Goldman feeling Barkham, and the winger returning well. Hooper got possession. Dribbling for an opening he put a high shot over Pau's head from a

HOME SOCCER

HOLIDAY GAMES, FIRST BATCH

RESULTS IN 5 DIVISIONS

London, Yesterday.
League football matches played to-day (home sides mentioned first) resulted:—

Division I.

Birmingham 0, Bolton 2.
Blackburn 5, Arsenal 2.
Burnley 3, Liverpool 2.
Bury 3, Leicester 1.
Everton 0, Sunderland 0.
Huddersfield 0, Derby 0.
Leeds 3, Cardiff 0.
Manchester United 1, Sheffield United 1.
Portsmouth 3, Aston Villa 2.
West Ham 1, Newcastle 0.
Sheffield Wednesday v. Manchester City (result not called).

Division II.

Bradford 3, Swansea 1.
Clapton Orient 3, Barnsley 1.
Grimsby 1, Blackpool 4.
Hull 5, Preston North End 1.
Middlesbrough 5, Port Vale 1.
Millwall 3, Oldham 3.
Notts County 1, Southampton 1.
Stoke 0, Chelsea 1.
Tottenham Hotspur 2, Reading 2.
West Bromwich Albion 1, Bristol City 1.
Wolverhampton 2, Notts Forest 3.

Division III. (S.)

Bournemouth 3, Exeter 1.
Brighton 3, Brentford 2.
Bristol Rovers 1, Crystal Palace 1.

Coventry 0, Charlton 1.
Fulham 2, Torquay 1.
Luton 2, Norwich 1.
Merthyr 2, Southend 1.
Newport 0, Watford 2.
Plymouth 3, Gillingham 0.
Queen's Park Rangers 4, Swindon 2.
Walsall 4, Northampton 3.

Division III. (N.)

Accrington 0, Bradford City 1.
Aldershot 1, South Shields 3.
Carlisle 2, Halifax 1.
Crewe 3, New Brighton 0.
Hartlepool 3, Lincoln 2.
Rochdale 4, Wrexham 4.
Southport 1, Chesterfield 0.
Wigan 0, Tranmere 1.
Stockport v. Rotherham (result not called).

Scottish League

Third Lanark 1, Dundee 2.
Clyde 2, Queen's Park 2.
Hearts 1, St. Mirren 0.

—Reuter.

I reckon that Queen's Park are easily the best team we have played so far this season. Their forward rank I consider is the best in Scotland. Their inside men, Chalmers and McAlpine, are in a class by themselves.—W. M'Stay.

sharp angle and England retired good winners by 4 goals to two.

A Fine Play

It was a rattling good display of football. The English team was led by Goldman in splendid style, and Barkham and Stock were the better wing. The halves played very strongly and Wynne and Baker gave a very sound display. Mott, except for one mistake, kept a very safe goal.

The reshuffled China team gave a bright display, the play of the forward line being brilliant, and the passing of the inside being of a high order at times. Wong Shui-wei and Pang were the better of the halves, and the backs and Pau were good.

England were better on the day's play but there was not much in it after the interval.

To-day's Match

To-day, Scotland will play Portugal, the referee being Wt. Eng. Barber, R.N., and the linesmen Messrs. Craig and Grieve. The following players have been selected for the Scottish eleven.

Scotland:—Clarke; Oram and Martin; McBride, McKelvie and Farlowe; Torrie, Evans, Toal, McGlinchey and Craig. Reserves: Stewart and McCreavy.

I.R.C. CRICKET

SCRATCH XMAS DAY GAME

GOOD BOWLING

The Indian Recreation Club put two teams in the field yesterday, captained by Messrs. S. A. Ismail and A. H. Rumjahn, and after some interesting cricket the match was declared a draw, the former's side (all out 161) batting first and the Rumjahn eleven securing 112 for eight wickets.

The feature of the game was Madar's faultless 67 and capture of four wickets for 28 runs. Rumjahn got 30 and Rahmin 20 and, behind the sticks, Ismail did well, stumping two of the batsmen.

Famous Chess Player



Jose R. Capablanca, of Cuba, the world famous chess player.

and catching another. Curreen returned the best bowling, obtaining five for 32.

Mr. S. A. Ismail's XI.

M. P. Madar, b Curreen	4
S. A. Ismail, b Curreen	17
A. K. Minu, b Curreen	1
A. H. Madar, b Curreen	67
A. S. Suffad, c Curreen, b Arculli	0
J. M. A. Rumjahn, b Arculli	4
A. R. Suffad, b Sirdar Khan	17
M. R. Abbas, b A. H. Rumjahn	1
A. Rahmin, not out	20
A. R. H. Esmail, c & b Curreen	0
Salim Ismail, b A. H. Rumjahn	11
Extras	9

Total 161

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Arculli	11	1	57	2
Curreen	7	0	32	5
Sirdar Khan	3	0	22	1
Hamet	2	0	8	0
A. H. Rumjahn	4.5	0	25	2
Pritam	1	0	3	0

Fall of wickets: 1 for 6, 2 for 19, 3 for 26, 4 for 27, 5 for 39, 6 for 90, 7 for 110, 8 for 132, 9 for 132, 10 for 156.

Mr. A. H. Rumjahn's XI.

A. Butt, st S. A. Ismail, b A. K. Minu	7
H. Pritam, c S. A. Ismail, b A. H. Madar	13
Melvan, c A. K. Minu, b A. H. Madar	8
U. T. Thad, run out	19
A. H. Rumjahn, l.b.w., b A. H. Madar	80
J. S. A. Curreen, c A. S. Suffad, b A. H. Madar	7
A. el Arculli, not out	0
Sirdar Khan, st S. A. Ismail, b A. K. Minu	0
T. Hamet, b A. K. Minu	12
Extras	16

Total (for 8 wickets) 112

M. Y. Adal, A. M. Wahab did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. S. Suffad	3	2	4	0
A. R. Suffad	10	5	19	0
A. H. Madar	11	4	28	4
A. K. Minu	7	4	26	3
J. M. A. Rumjahn	2	0	10	0
Abbas	2	0	9	0

Fall of wickets: 1 for 28, 2 for 28, 3 for 40, 4 for 70, 5 for 100, 6 for 100, 7 for 100, 8 for 117.

GOLF

DRAW FOR HUMPHREYS' FOURSOMES

FINAL IN MARCH

The following is the result of the draw for the Humphreys' foursomes to be played over 18 holes on the old course at Fanning:

Second round (byes in first round): G. E. Towns (12) and G. E. Mitchell (18) v F. A. Perry (16) and S. M. Mayes (17); E. D. Black (10) and W. J. Clerk (9) v F. Syme Thomson (13) and J. P. Warren (7); A. D. Humphreys (11) and E. D. Matthews (9) v O. E. C. Marton (Scr.) and N. L. Smith (7); A. R. Cox (18) and D. M. Goodall (17) v A. C. I. Bowker (12) and R. K. Valentine (9); Capt. J. Gros (8) and I. Newton (7) v Capt. A. W. Davison (14) and T. C. Monaghan (13); E. J. Edwards (17) and F. M. Ellis (14) v J. Smith (10) and T. Ramsay (15); A. E. Lissaman (6) and K. S. Robertson (6) v H. U. Ireland (7) and T. L. Christie (11); J. W. Franks (9) and F. J. de Rome (6).

First Round: R. K. Hepburn (10) and H. Spicer (16) v G. E. Ellams (13) and W. K. Tait (17); C. E. Holmes (10) and G. R. Horridge v H. W. Moon (18) and W. D. Fiddes Wilson (17); A. H. Ferguson (3) and T. G. Bennett (8) v D. J. Gilmore (11) and K. S. MacLaren (9).

Second Round (byes in the first round): A. B. Raworth (7) and M. M. Maas (12) v J. Morris (18) and C. D. Lambert (18); N. K. Littlejohn (13) and W. J. S. Key (18) v I. W. Shewan (Scr.) and E. D. Lawrence (9); R. Hancock (8) and C. B. Johnson (10) v P. J. Wodehouse (14) and A. E. Wood (15); R. Young (9) and W. D. Brown (7) v L. R. Andrews (6) and A. B. Stewart (3); C. B. Brown (18) and C. C. Stark (6) v N. Croucher (17) and E. des Voeux (19); A. Leach (10) and I. H. Geare (15) v D. E. Clark (14) and J. D. Humphreys (18); S. T. Butlin (11) and A. Sommerfelt (12) v A. G. Coppin (18) and A. D. Coppin.

Those without handicap will play from scratch unless a handicap is allotted before any match. The matches will be played on three-eighths combined handicap, and if the match goes beyond the eighteenth green, strokes will be taken as in the first round.

The first round has to be completed on or before January 6, the second by January 20, the third by February 3, the fourth by February 17, the semi-finals by March 3 and the final by March 17.

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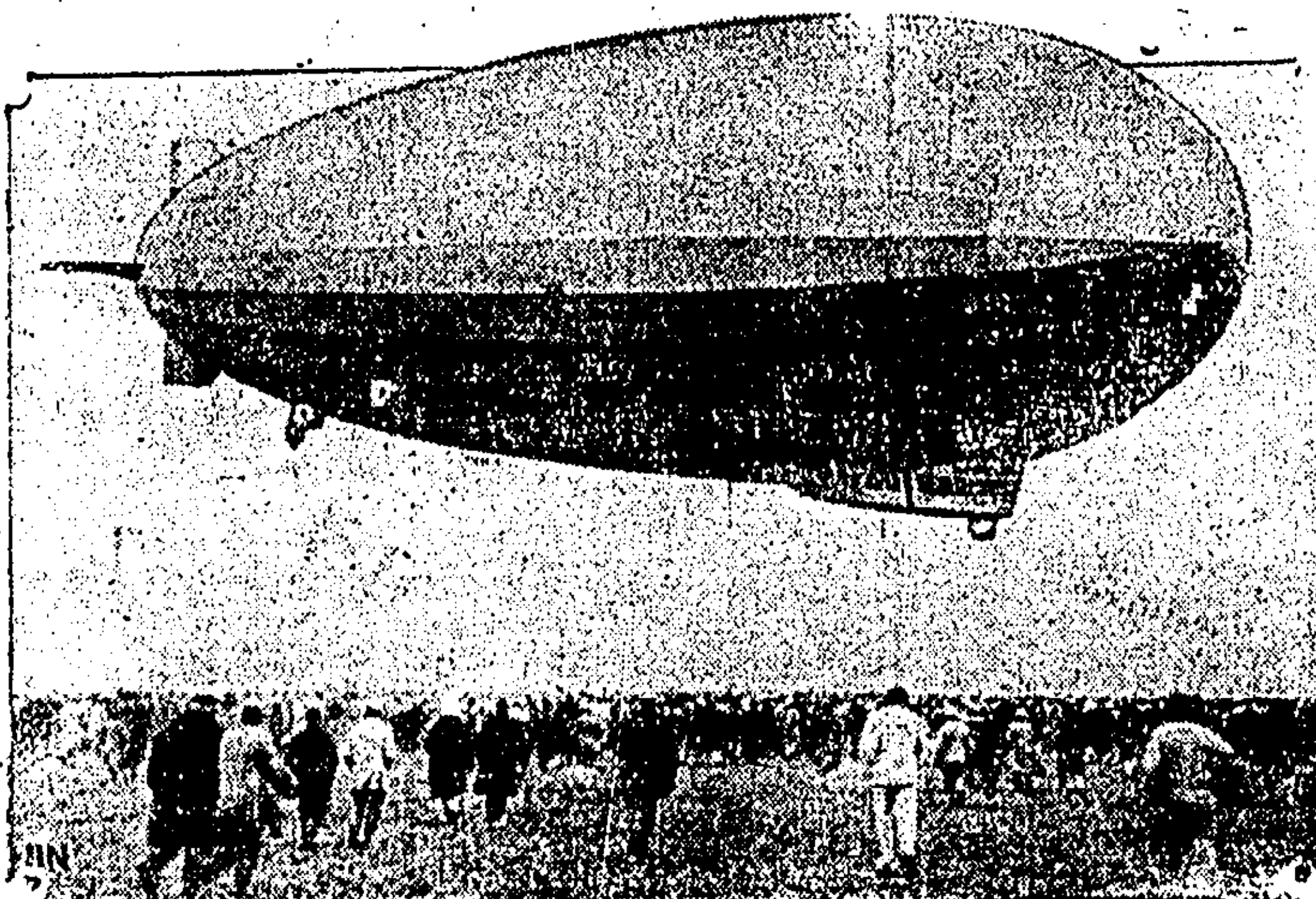
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Czar's Fortune



Mrs. Tchaikowsky, who claims to be the youngest daughter of the late Czar of Russia. Further proofs, according to her lawyer, have been found to establish her identity as the Grand Duchess Anastasia.

"Graf" Zeppelin's Triumphant Return



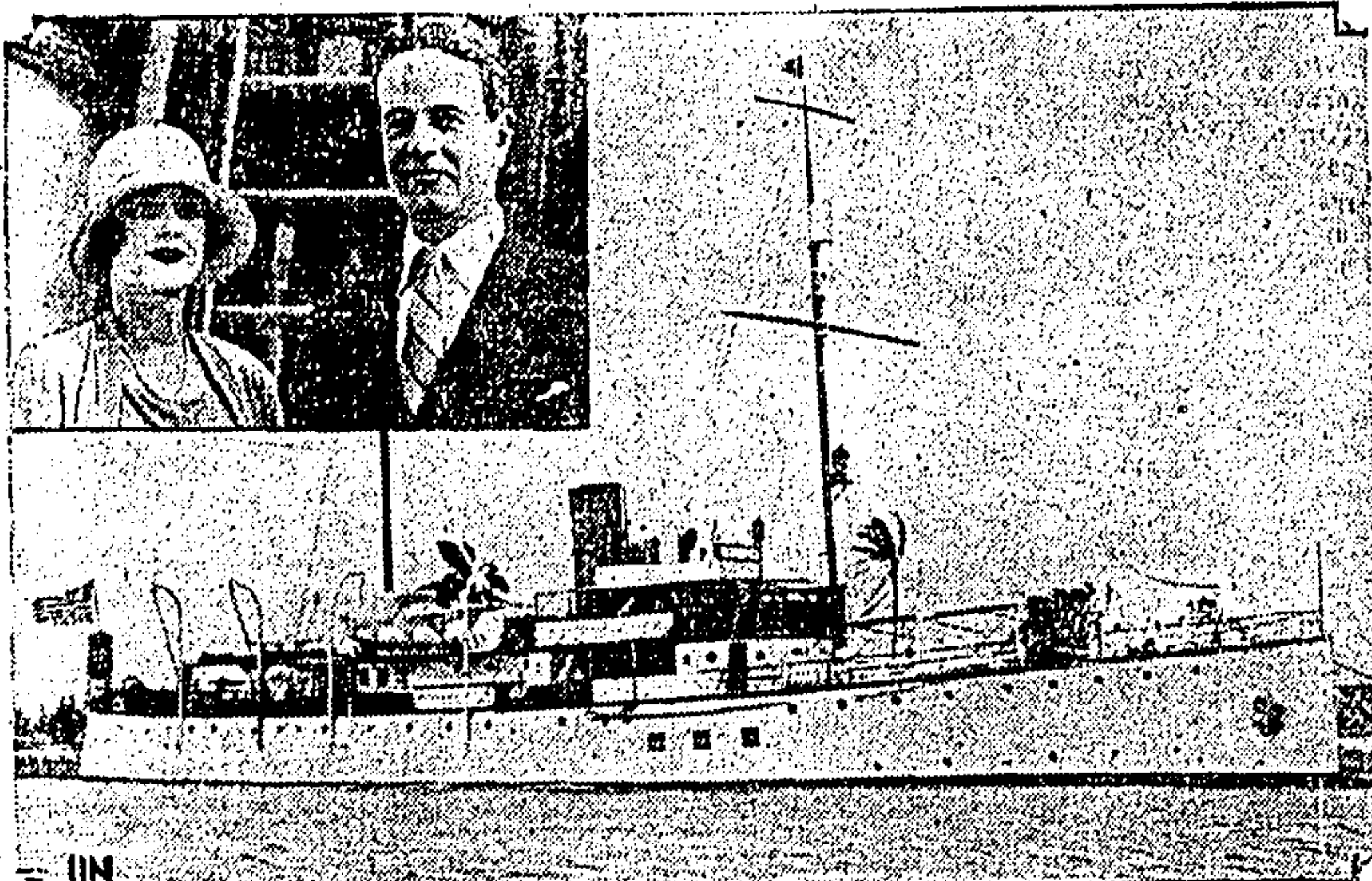
Crowds swarming on to the landing field at Friedrichshafen, Germany, as Dr. Hugo Eckener, commander of the "Graf Zeppelin," nosed his big dirigible, the "Graf Zeppelin," down for a landing after re-crossing the Atlantic.

Dirigible Expert



Herr Max Kneetner, the German dirigible expert and winner of the \$20,000 prize for the design of a new dirigible, who is now rushing plans for the immediate start on building the giant ship. Unlike the "Graf Zeppelin," the new dirigible will have its motors in the bag instead of in the gondolas. The new dirigible will be 700 feet long.

Study of Deep Sea Life



Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt's palatial steam yacht "Ara" on which the owner and Mrs. Vanderbilt (inset) will make a cruise around the world. The trip is a dual one, for Mr. Vanderbilt intends to make a study of deep sea life in many waters during the voyage. It is estimated the voyage will require eight months to complete.

Lady Astor



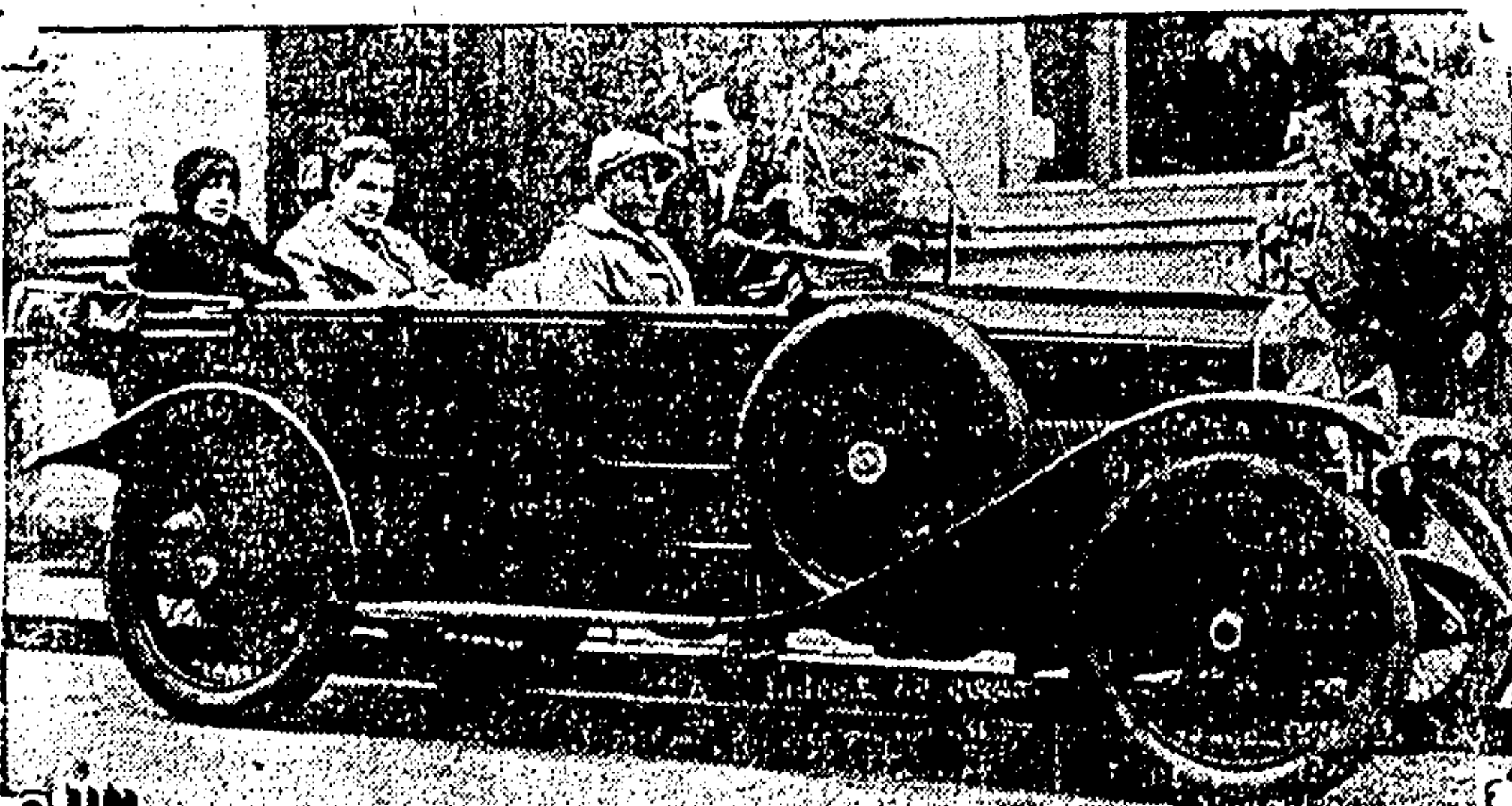
Lady Astor, M.P., leaving the White House after paying her respects to President Coolidge. Lady Astor, the first woman member of the British Parliament, was born in Virginia.

Opera Debut



Clara Jacobo, a former factory worker, has just made her debut before New York opera-goers. This photo was taken as she prepared a meal in her apartment just prior to singing the role of Leonora in Il Trovatore.

Tunney Honeymoon Photo



Here is Gene Tunney, ex-champion of the heavyweight boxers, and his bride, the former "Polly" Lauder, the \$350,000,000 heiress, photographed as they left their hotel in Merano, Italy, for a motor trip through the picturesque countryside.

New Ambassador



Mr. Katsuji Debuchi, the new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, in an interesting portrait study taken after he had presented his credentials.

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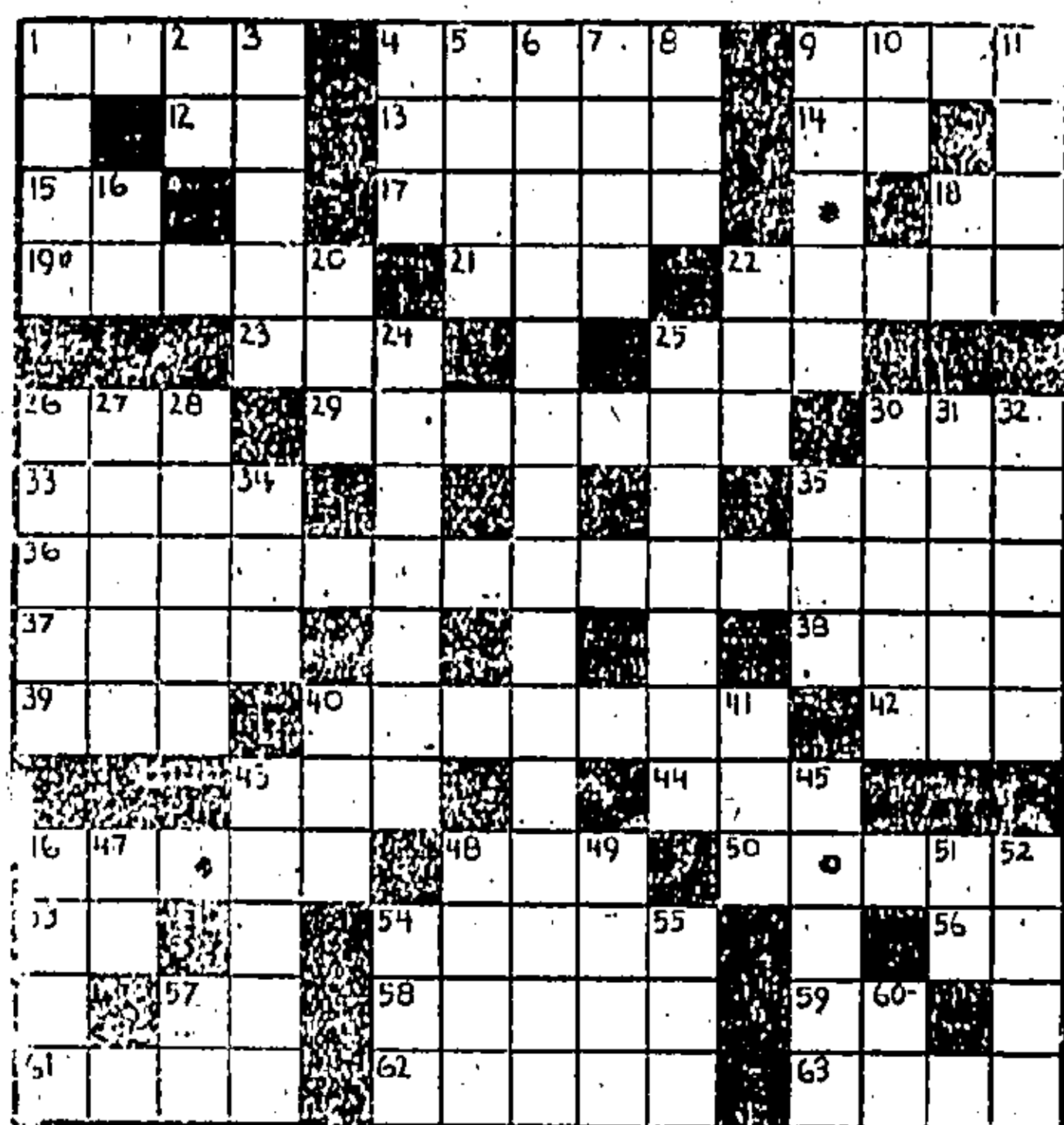
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alto.)



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SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

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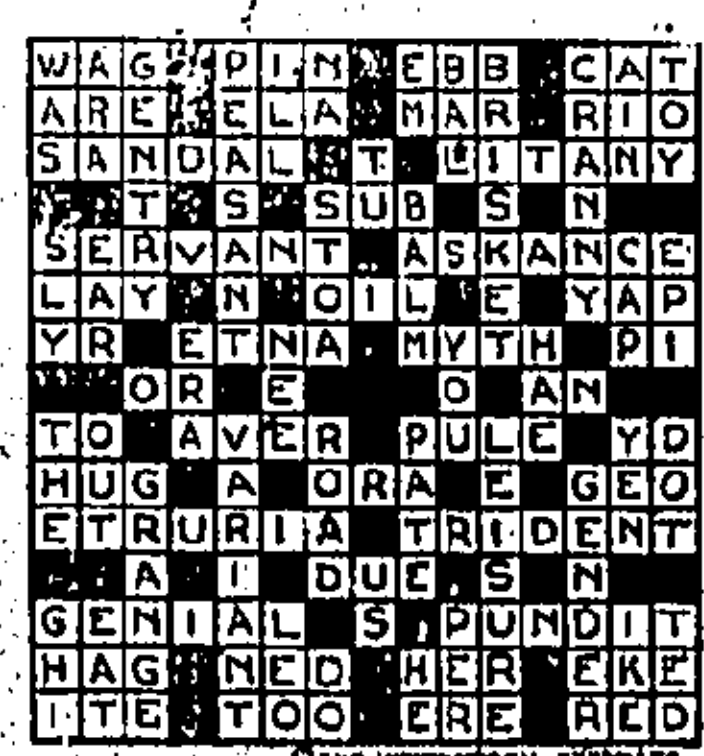
- 1—Darkness; gloom
- 2—The spectrum
- 3—Support
- 4—East Indies (abbr.)
- 5—Coast region and island of W. Asia Minor
- 6—Thus
- 7—A country of Asia (abbr.)
- 8—Pertaining to a node
- 9—A measure of capacity (abbr.)
- 10—A pack or swarm
- 11—A political party (abbr.)
- 12—Abode of the dead
- 13—Ship's distress signal
- 14—A jackdaw
- 15—To obstruct, as a river
- 16—Orbs
- 17—To bend in; droop
- 18—To encourage and support
- 19—Gle's name
- 20—Interventions
- 21—To look slyly
- 22—French for "we"
- 23—Periods of time (abbr.)
- 24—Rabbits
- 25—To work with steadiness
- 26—"It is" (abbr.)
- 27—To rest
- 28—Familiar fruit (pl.)
- 29—To shut in
- 30—Large marine shell
- 31—Prefix. Not
- 32—A student at West Point
- 33—Latin for "that is" (abbr.)
- 34—Exile
- 35—Angry
- 36—Prefix. With
- 37—A small pall (pl.)
- 38—Manner of conduct or action
- 39—Head covering

VERTICAL

- 1—Great in quantity or number
- 2—Prefix. Back; again
- 3—Sorts; classes
- 4—A fastener
- 5—A square land measure
- 6—Fourth of July
- 7—A kingdom in S. E. Asia
- 8—Prefix. Bad; ill
- 9—Exclamation of contempt or impatience
- 10—Receiving office (abbr.)
- 11—A large division of Germany (abbr.)
- 12—Interjection
- 13—Exile
- 14—Greek goddess of the dawn
- 15—Possessions
- 16—Foamy
- 17—Argues
- 18—Every day
- 19—Man's name
- 20—Alloys by measure
- 21—To poke and pry about (colloq.)
- 22—To nullify
- 23—Like or full of gas
- 24—Territory (abbr.)
- 25—Scotch for "own"
- 26—Twice (Latin)
- 27—Latin for "thus"
- 28—Look of hair
- 29—A light on a handle
- 30—Chief of the fairies
- 31—Prefix. Same as "in"
- 32—Male of red deer
- 33—Courage; ardor (simple spelling)
- 34—Crown of India (abbr.)
- 35—A chief; leader
- 36—Latin for "on this side" (prefix)
- 37—Golf term
- 38—Pronoun
- 39—Prefix meaning "egg"

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

MONDAY'S SOLUTION.



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IN SOUTH AFRICA

SOVIET OPERATIONS AMONG THE NATIVES

INCITEMENT TO REBELLION

The full instructions of the Communist International to its agents in South Africa to stir up the black races against the whites are not available at Moscow, but several organs of the Soviet Press have published summaries of the proceedings at the sittings of the "Politsecretariat" which finally sanctioned these instructions, writes "The Times" Riga correspondent. (The "Politsecretariat," or Political Secretariat, is the new "Directorate" of the Communist International and was formed in September, consisting of 11 members: Barbara, Bell, Bukharin, Kuusinen, Molotov, Platnitsky, Remmele, Sera, Chiu-Vito, Shmeral, Ember-Dro.) The full report as it appeared in the issue of October 30 of "Izvestia" (the official organ of the Soviet Government) is as follows:—

At the sitting of the Politsecretariat on October 19, 1928, among other things the South African question was considered, to which great attention had been devoted in the debates at the Sixth Universal Congress during the consideration of the colonial, and particularly the negro problem. The resolution of the Executive Committee of the Comintern opens with an estimate of economic and social development and the situation in South Africa, emphasizing that the most important point is the divergence between the vital conditions of white and coloured workmen. In estimating the present situation, the resolution places on record the absence of political rights for negroes, the roots of which must be sought in the colonial character of the country and the strong social contrasts existing between the blacks and the dominating strata of the white population.

A "Favourable Position"

As regards the Nationalist Party, the fact is established that it has long since given up the struggle for separation from the British Empire and has capitulated to English Imperialism. The policy of the Labour Party leads to demoralizing white workmen by the theory of the superiority of the white race, but its influence is already being weakened by the action of opposite forces, above all by the deterioration of the material situation of the white working masses. The resolution points out that the policy of the African bourgeoisie has the object

of perverting not only parts of the white proletariat but also the leaders of the negro trade unions, in order to direct the negro trade union movement into the channel of reformism.

The policy of corruption carried out by the bourgeoisie in conjunction with the Amsterdam International of trade unions is the most characteristic feature of the present political situation, but this fact creates for the Communist Party in South Africa an exceedingly complicated though favourable position, for the Communist Party appears as the only party uniting the white workers, black workers, and the landless black peasantry to fight against English Imperialism, against the white bourgeoisie and against reformist leaders.

The party must base its operations chiefly on the toiling native masses, but at the same time continue its work among white workers. The Communist Party must become the leader of the nationalist agrarian revolutionary movement of the native masses, if it properly understands its political task. The disagreement of the majority in the party with this slogan shows an insufficient grasp by our party of what its tasks are with respect to the revolutionary struggle of the native masses.

National Agrarianism
The white workers must understand that it is itself a minority and that its duty is to support the native masses and, together with them, to fight the English bourgeoisie and white Imperialism. These circumstances demand that the Communist Party push the national movement of the native masses forward and develop this movement into a national-agrarian revolutionary movement against the bourgeoisie and Imperialism. If the South African Communist Party is not equal to carrying out this task, it means that it distinguishes itself from the native population: "The Communist Party cannot be satisfied with the general slogan, "Whites and Blacks must be Equal." The Communist Party must understand the revolutionary importance of national and agrarian question.

Further, the resolution dwells on concrete forms of party agitation and propaganda, and emphasizes that the Executive Committee of the Comintern fully approves of agitation by the party against the Native Law promulgated by the Government, but that this agitation will be still more intensified and united with agitation against all other legislation directed against the native masses. In regard to organizing, the party must strengthen and consolidate its influence among the organizations of

SMUGGLING

ITALIANS SNEAK INTO U. S. A.

ORGANIZED CONSPIRACY

Naples—Despite efforts of the American and Italian authorities to check it, there is still operating a Naples-New York "underground railroad," its unlawful freight being emigrants.

From all that can be found out here, there is a highly organized association, with headquarters in both cities dealing in false passports, embarkation and landing permits.

It has agents or "runners" around the American consulate in Naples to bring in would-be emigrants who have been refused visas there. Its agents in America keep the newly landed under cover and instruct them in the various ways of keeping clear of the law.

Evidence already obtained shows that the Naples and New York branches are in continuous active correspondence. Every man the emigrant-leggers on this side endeavour to "place" on the other is the subject of several letters. The old, and crude stowaway methods of an earlier era no longer avail, for the risks are too great.

The victims of this traffic are mainly poor peasants of Calabria, Apulia and Sicily, where the farms are hard to work. With their savings done up in their bandana handkerchiefs, they come to Naples hoping the Consul-General will relent, or wink at the law, and give them the open sesame to the promised land of the big money. Once they are refused they fall for the wiles of the "exporters" agent.

The last trick unearthed consisted in disguising the emigrant as a pastry cook's assistant and putting him to work in a liner's bakery just before the inspection prior to sailing.

individual tribes already existing. In the region of trade union work, propaganda is necessary for the creation of a South African trade union centre to combine white and black workers. In conclusion, the resolution directs attention to the existing war danger, and emphasizes that the party must use all means to fight against the support of the war policy of England by the South African authorities, and not forget the necessity of work in the army. Thus the resolution gives important directions for the work of the South African Communist Party at the present stage.

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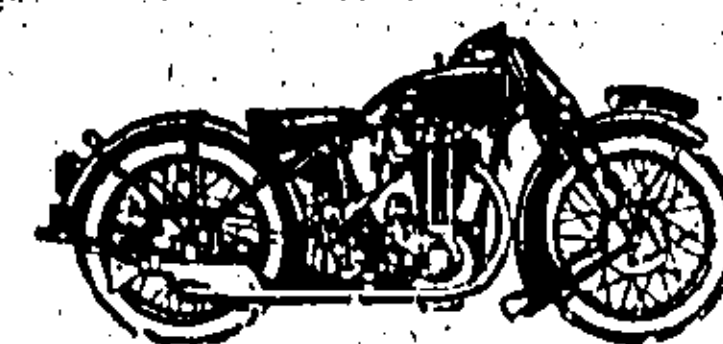


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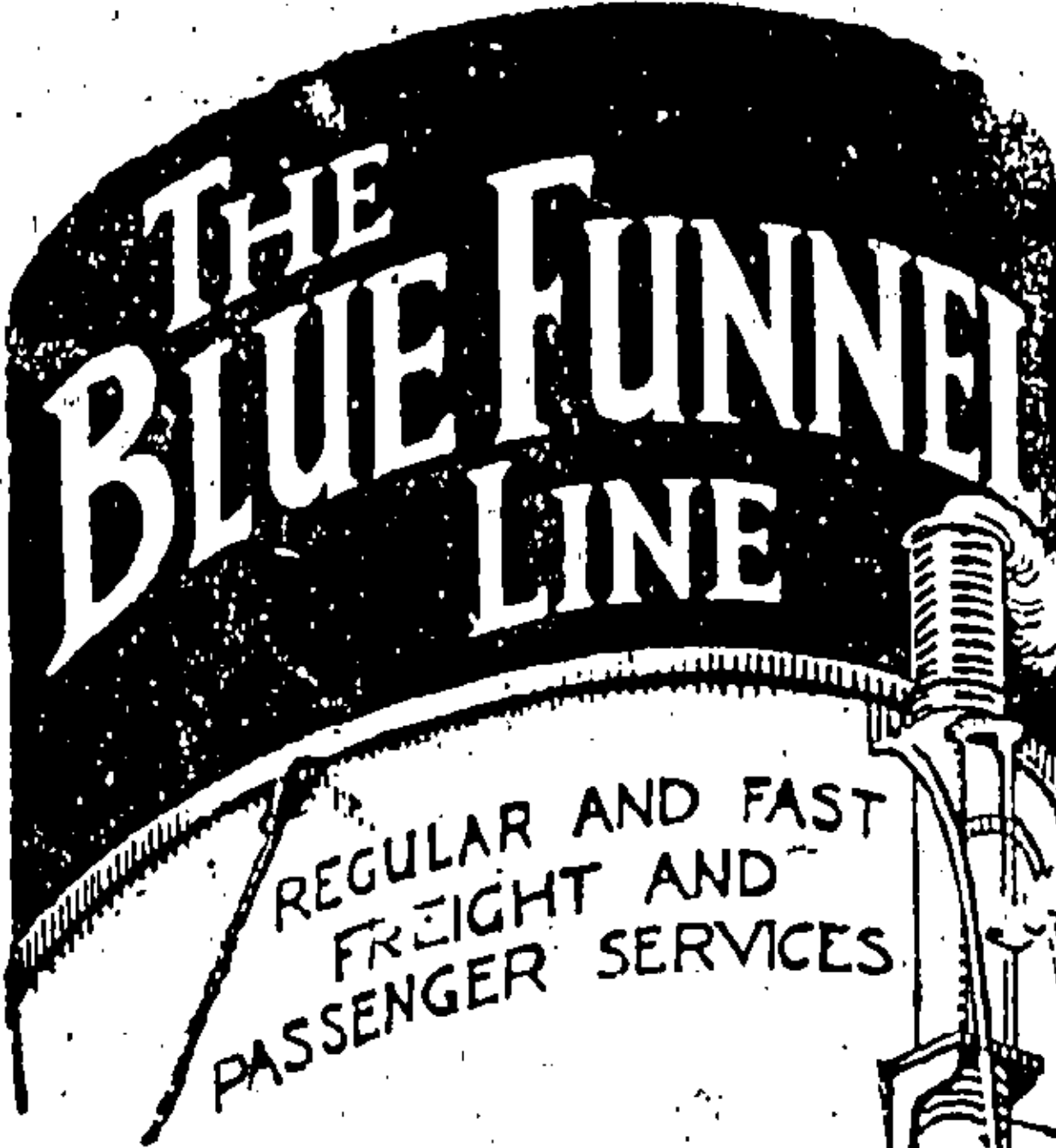
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Wilson	
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London, 29th Nov.)		
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Manila	President Jackson	

OUTWARD MAILS.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27.		
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Deli Maru	8.30 a.m.
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Shanghai	Talamba	
Shanghai	Shansi	1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
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Swatow	President Wilson	5 p.m.
Manila	Kumsang	5 p.m.
Amoy	Kwanchow	5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 31.		
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POLITICAL STRIFE IN THE ARGENTINE

CASUALTIES

FIVE DEMONSTRATORS KILLED; SEVERAL WOUNDED

CAVALRY CALLED OUT

San Juan, Argentine, Yesterday.
The split in the Argentine Radical Party, between the followers of President Irigoyen and the so-called "Conservationists" resulted in rioting and shooting. Five of the demonstrators were killed and several wounded.
Cavalry were called out and dislodged the rioters from the railway station which was the centre of the disturbance. They quickly restored order.—Reuter's American Service.

LEITH COUPLE

MARRIED AT UNION CHURCH

MUIR-SMITH

Mr. James Muir, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Muir of Leith, Scotland, and Miss Catherine Thompson Smith, the daughter of the late Mr. James Smith and Mrs. James Smith, also of Leith, Scotland, were married on Monday, Christmas Eve, at Union Church, Kennedy-road.

The minister, the Rev. F. C. Young officiated.
The bride was led to the altar by Mr. H. G. K. Wheeler of the Chinese Maritime Customs and Mrs. Wheeler acted as matron of honour.

Mr. John Barnett of the Public Works Department was best man. The Misses Annie and Florrie Fowler were the bridesmaids.

Medieval Dress

The bride wore an ivory satin dress in medieval style, with a lace veil, orange blossoms, and silver shoes and hosiery of the same shade. She carried a sheaf of white roses, chrysanthemums and maiden hair fern.

The bridesmaids wore pale pink tulle trimmed with pink silk net and silver lace; and their shoes and hose were also of silver.

The bridesmaids carried old-fashioned posies of pink roses with lace holders.

Mrs. Wheeler, the matron of honour, wore a powder blue crepe-de-chine dress, trimmed with silver fox fur, black lace hat and shoes to match.

Honeymoon at Macao.
The reception was held at No. 8, East Point-terrace, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fowler.

The honeymoon is being spent at the Repulse Bay Hotel and Macao. The bride travelled in a beige satin ensemble with fur, felt hat, gloves, shoes and hosiery to match.

Among the presents were a silver trinket set (the gift of the bridegroom to the bride) and a gold watch and chain (from the bride to the bridegroom).

READY FOR "REDS"

PARIS PLAN TO DEAL WITH ANY RISING

Paris.—M. Chippie, the Prefect of Police, told the Paris City Council recently of his plans in the event of a Communist rising in the city.

"First of all," said M. Chippie, "I shall use peaceful means to solve any threatened conflict and the most humane methods to prevent disorder. But, if it becomes necessary, the most energetic measures will be employed."

Amid loud applause from the municipal councillors, he added: "I shall defend Paris against disorder by all the means which the law places at my disposal."

The City Council passed a resolution authorising M. Chippie to take whatever steps he thought necessary in case of disorder. They also called on the military authorities to maintain the Paris garrison at a strength which would render any Communist uprising impossible.

Capt. Malcolm Campbell, the British racing motorist, who crashed in South Morocco, when returning by aeroplane from his search in the Sahara for a track on which to make an attempt on the world's speed record, left Gibraltar recently by steamer for England.

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM

IMPORTANT STEP

AMERICAN EXPERTS TO SERVE ON COMMITTEE

U. S. GOVERNMENT AGREES

Washington, Yesterday.

The Government has assented to the appointment of American experts to serve on the committee of German Reparations on the understanding that the American representatives be chosen and appointed by the Allied and German Governments.

The news contained in this statement was issued by Mr. F. B. Kellogg, Secretary of the State Department, after a long interview with Pres. Coolidge.

The statement says that Sir Esme Howard called on Mr. Kellogg this morning and informed him, in the name of the six Governments interested in the reparations problem, that they wished to enquire whether the United States Government would agree to American experts participating in the work of the Committee and whether, if so, the United States Government would be ready to propose the names of such experts.

Sir E. Howard explained that if the United States Government agreed to this the experts proposed could be appointed jointly by the Reparations Commission and the German Government, but if the United States preferred to leave the choice of the American experts to the six Powers, the latter would agree to the names of the experts to be invited who would then be appointed jointly by the Commission and the German Government.—Reuter's American Service.

EX-M.P.'s DEBTS

LOSSES ON FORMING COMPANIES

BIG LOSS BY GUARANTEES

Mr. Arnold Williams, formerly Liberal M.P. for the Sowerby division of Yorkshire, and described in the receiving order as of 23, Queen Anne's-gate, S.W., and 9, Cadogan-gardens, S.W., accountant, attended before Mr. Registrar Mellor in the London Bankruptcy Court recently for his public examination.

Mr. Williams estimates his liabilities at £130,806, of which £106,891 are expected to rank, and values his assets at a net sum of £45,735.

He said that at the end of 1916 he took over an accountancy practice in Manchester. Subsequently there was a partnership. In 1920-1 an office was opened in the City, and in 1923 he retired from the partnership.

The Official Receiver: Your failure is due to your transactions in promoting and forming public and private companies, in acting as a director of them and guaranteeing their accounts?—Substantially, yes.

He had been a director of 25 to 30 companies. In some cases he made very heavy losses, but in others substantial profits.

The Official Receiver: Is it a fact that most of those companies have been failures financially?—No.

Have not a great number of them been wound up?—Some of them were connected with war work and came to an end naturally.

£50,000 Lost by Guarantees.
Asked if he became an M.P. to enable him to take up more directorships, Mr. Williams said that this was not his object; in fact, he did not take up any for that reason.

The companies in which he had been interested dealt in all kinds of merchandise, of which he had no expert knowledge.

He estimated that in 1921 he was worth considerably more than £50,000, but he had lost that amount by guarantees. That, he admitted, was one of the chief causes of his bankruptcy.

In June 1927 he entered into a contract to buy for £216,000 a site at Victoria Station with the object of making a substantial profit on its re-sale.

The Official Receiver: In the result it has proved a most disastrous transaction for you?

Mr. Williams explained that he was unable to complete the transaction because of the bankruptcy petition, but for which he would have received a very substantial profit. The examination was adjourned.

RUBBER INDUSTRY PIONEER

SIR W. T. DYER

FAMOUS RESEARCH WORKER PASSES AWAY

A VETERAN

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Sir William Thistleton Dyer the famous research worker, who laid the foundation of the rubber industry in the East Indies by sending to Singapore the seeds, germinated at Kew.

His experiments in introducing the East Indies banana strain into the West Indies had also far reaching effects.—Reuter.

[Sir W. Thistleton-Dyer, who was born in 1843, was Botanical Adviser to the Secretary of State for the Colonies from 1902 to 1906 and Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew (London) from 1885 till 1905.]

CAPT. AMUNDSEN

MEDALS SOLD TO PAY HIS DEBTS

FINANCIAL WORRIES

Oslo, Norway.—All the creditors of Captain Roald Amundsen, the explorer, will be paid in full as the result of the sale of the dead explorer's medals.

Nothing was heard of Captain Amundsen after he left Tromsø, Norway, in a seaplane on June 18 to search for General Nobile, whose Arctic expedition was in difficulties. Captain Amundsen had quarrelled with General Nobile, but as soon as he heard that the general needed aid he volunteered to search for him. General Nobile was subsequently rescued.

Captain Amundsen was the first man to accomplish the North-West Passage, and he reached the South Pole in 1911. In 1926 he flew over the North Pole in an airship.

He became bankrupt in 1924. After the war his private fortune was estimated at £55,000, but this and a State subvention of £28,000 were insufficient to cover the expenses of his Polar expeditions.

Friends in 1924 bought his home at Svartsborg and afterwards presented him with it. Captain Amundsen called these episodes the most humiliating and tragic in his life, and his last words to his lawyer before starting out to the rescue of General Nobile were: "Make me a free man."

The bankruptcy proceedings now concluded show that Captain Amundsen's estate is solvent.

His 61 medals were sold for £250, but the buyer, Mr. Conrad Langgaard, of Oslo, afterwards presented them to Oslo University for its coin cabinet.

Another Medal

Rome.—At the suggestion of Signor Mussolini, the Italian Prime Minister, the King has conferred posthumously the Gold Medal for Valour in the Air upon Captain Amundsen and Commandant Gullbaud, who accompanied him in his search for General Nobile.

OPIUM TRAFFICKING

Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clark prosecuted, in a case heard at the Kowloon Magistracy, in which a Chinese was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton on Monday with unlawful possession of opium aboard a junk in the Yau-mati typhoon shelter.

Defendant pleaded that he had been given twenty-cents a day by the owner of the vessel to look after it in his absence.

C.P.O. Clark said that defendant had been given an opportunity to find the man, but had refused to do so. \$52 were found in defendant's possession.

The magistrate observed that had no money been found he would not have convicted. He imposed a fine of \$9,000 or 6 months' imprisonment.

Louis William Ware, shoemaker, of Fighbright Camp, and William George Triscott, Quartermaster-Sergeant 2nd Coldstream Guards, stationed at Windsor, were remanded at Woking, Surrey, charged with obtaining money by fraud in connection with the repair of military boots.

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